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COMMON CORE MAKES COMMON SENSE

We've been struggling as a state and nation for years to fix our education system.

We constantly rank toward the bottom of the developed world in student knowledge and testing. Colleges complain that many incoming students are ill-prepared for college-level work.

Communities, states and the federal government have been trying for more than a generation to change that. The most recent attempt is the Common Core initiative, a set of educational standards that kids need to meet before they can move on to the next level or graduate.

Call it Common Core, call it common sense, but we need to keep innovating in how we teach our kids, and this seems like a good step forward.

Concrete examples of what kids need to know are included in the standards. For instance, under the core standards, eighth-grade math students should be able to "Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in real-world and mathematical problems in two and three dimensions." That's pretty specific, and it's a skill all our kids should have. But how many kids leaving eighth grade can do this?

What about calculating the volume of a cone or sphere? That's something that all eighth graders should know — it's another one of the standards in the Common Core.

As a parent, when I look at a report card and see grades, I have no idea if my child has mastered any of these skills. What does a B mean? I would much prefer a check list of each of these standards, with a pass or fail. And in the case of fail, we go back and work at it until it becomes a pass. There is no job that would allow you to fail at part of that job, but schools let us do that all the time.

Most schools are structured so that students get equal time for every subject — an hour for math, an hour for English and so on. But what if I'm already way ahead in English and way behind in math? Why would I still get an hour of math and an hour of English? In no job training would someone focus on the areas of the job you have already mastered. They'd focus on the areas that you didn't know.

The Common Core initiative changes the focus to what kids don't know. Take a look at the standards at corestandards.org and push your local school to make sure your kids are ready for whatever comes next.



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Also on the cover, it's blueberry season! Find out how to find the best of the bunch and what to do with your fresh picks (p. 44). Manchester is the new host of a festival featuring just New Hampshire brewers (p. 46). Plus, it's time for Market Days, Concord's annual summer tradition of music, food, merchants and more (p. 31).

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Protection from bites

It's high mosquito season and state officials want residents and out-of-state vacationers to protect themselves from bites that could put them at risk of dangerous diseases like West Nile virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis. The Associated Press reported that last year 24 batches of mosquitoes tested positive for EEE and 14 batches were positive for West Nile. While there were no human cases of EEE, one person tested positive for West Nile. According to NHstateparks.com, the risk can be reduced by wearing protective clothing including long pants and long-sleeved shirts, and socks should be worn if outside during evening, nighttime and dawn hours, when mosquitoes are most active. Using insect repellent with 10 percent or less DEET for children and no more than 30 percent DEET for adults can also help.

Buffer zones halted

The Arizona-based Christian legal group Alliance Defending Freedom has sued New Hampshire over its new "buffer zone law," prompting many counties and municipalities to hold off on implementing 25-foot buffer zones around the entrances of reproductive health clinics. The buffer zones were supposed to go into effect July 10.

The order to wait was issued last week by a judge from Concord's U.S. district court, Joseph Laplante. Laplante states that ADF has a good chance of coming out of the lawsuit on top, the Concord Monitor reported.

ADF's lawsuit comes after the U.S. Supreme Court unanimously ruled that a similar Massachusetts law violates free-speech rights. ADF's senior legal counsel, Matt Bowman, made a statement that

New Hampshire's law is unconstitutional and "Americans have the freedom to talk to whomever they please on public sidewalks." He stated that includes "peaceful pro-life advocates who just want to help women who would like it," NHPR reported.

Concord's U.S. district court announced in an order that all of New Hampshire except Derry and Concord agreed to suspend enforcement of the law until the complaint is heard July 25.

Abortion rights advocates maintain that the buffer zone is vital to protecting patients who come to reproduction clinics across the state. Its critics, like ADF, say it violates basic free speech rights.

Shaheen campaign

U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen's re-election campaign has raised more than \$3 million more than rival Republican candidate Scott Brown, WMUR reported. Shaheen raised \$2.8 million in the last three months and has a total of \$5.1 million on hand while Brown has raised \$2 million. During the last three months, as a result of Brown's competition, Shaheen has had large fundraising events with Bill Clinton and Elizabeth Warren and has increased her fundraising efforts.

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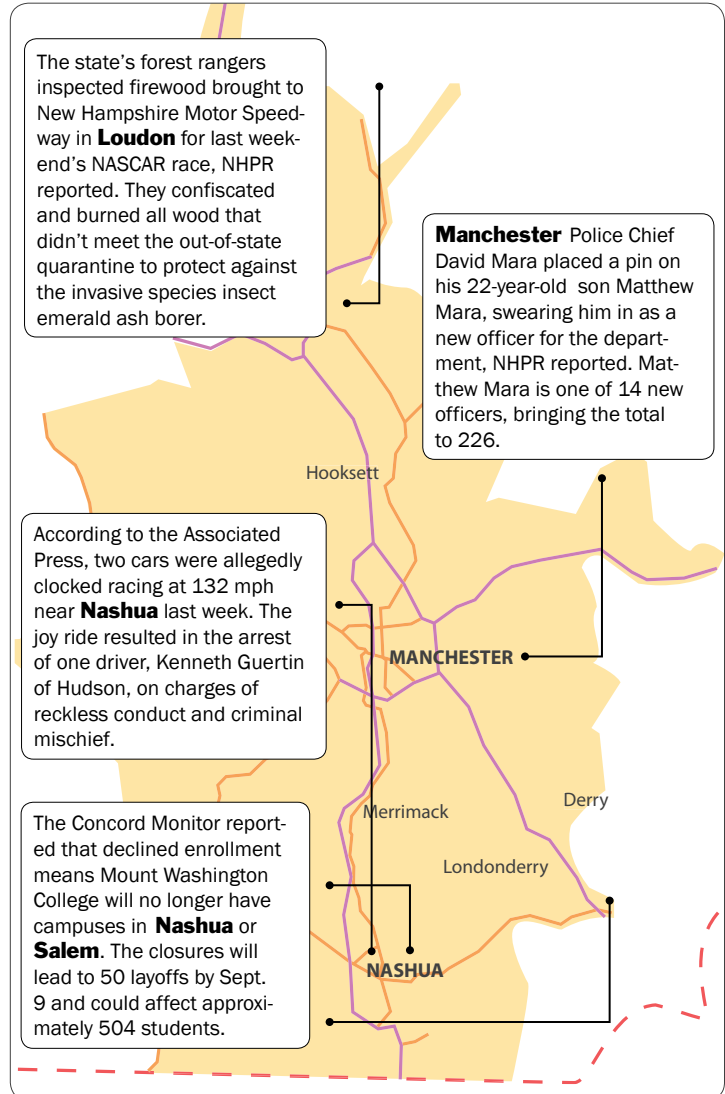
The state's small claims courts may be going paperless by the end of the year, the Eagle Tribune reported. If the switch happens, residents wishing to file small claims won't need to go into a court on a weekday to file in person. The new system, called e-Court, would allow people to file from anywhere at any time. The NH circuit court system contains 32 divisions throughout the state, and some will also feature computer kiosks in lobbies where people can get online to file. According to the Eagle Tribune, small claims cases are those in which the assets are worth \$7,500 or less, but the amount will increase to \$10,000 in July 2015. Last year, 20,016 small claims cases, including 13,118 new ones, were handled by the state court system.

BearCat arrives

Residents of Concord and surrounding towns may be spotting a large former military vehicle in use for emergency situations now that the Concord Police picked up a \$258,000 armored BearCat, the Concord Monitor reported. Funds for the vehicle, which can protect against weapons as powerful as .50-caliber military-grade bullets, were paid for by a grant from the Department of Homeland Security. Last September, the Concord City Council voted in favor of accepting the grant money 11-4 on behalf of the Central New Hampshire Special Operations Unit. Eighteen cities and towns will share the vehicle, of which Concord is the largest. It replaces a 30-year-old U.S. Air Force surplus Peacemaker armored vehicle owned by the Central New Hampshire Special Operations Unit. Officials say that vehicle is not reliable anymore. The BearCat has caused controversy amongst locals, and some have stated they oppose the "militarization" of the police.

Christie to return

For the second time in two months, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who chairs the Republican Governors Association, will visit New Hampshire, this time to drum up money for the state Republican Party, WMUR reported. You'll be able to spot him in a skybox at the July 31 Fisher Cats game, and he is calling the fundraising event "Home Run to Victory 2014." Sponsorship levels start at \$45, and people who donate \$2,500 can watch the game with Christie. Late last month,



Christie attended a fundraiser and rally for Walt Havenstein, Republican candidate for governor.

Federal park funding

The Concord Monitor reported that the U.S. Department of the Interior has awarded \$435,478 to the state to make parks and recreational areas bigger and better and work on land conservation. In total, the department awarded

more than \$43 million nationally from the Land and Water Conservation Fund in 50/50 matching grants — the groups that receive the funds will need to spend the same amount of their dollars on projects. New Hampshire's allotment is a bit more than it received last year, and the parks and recreation division will start the process of awarding the money through grants in the fall. 🌧️

BEST WEEK

VETS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

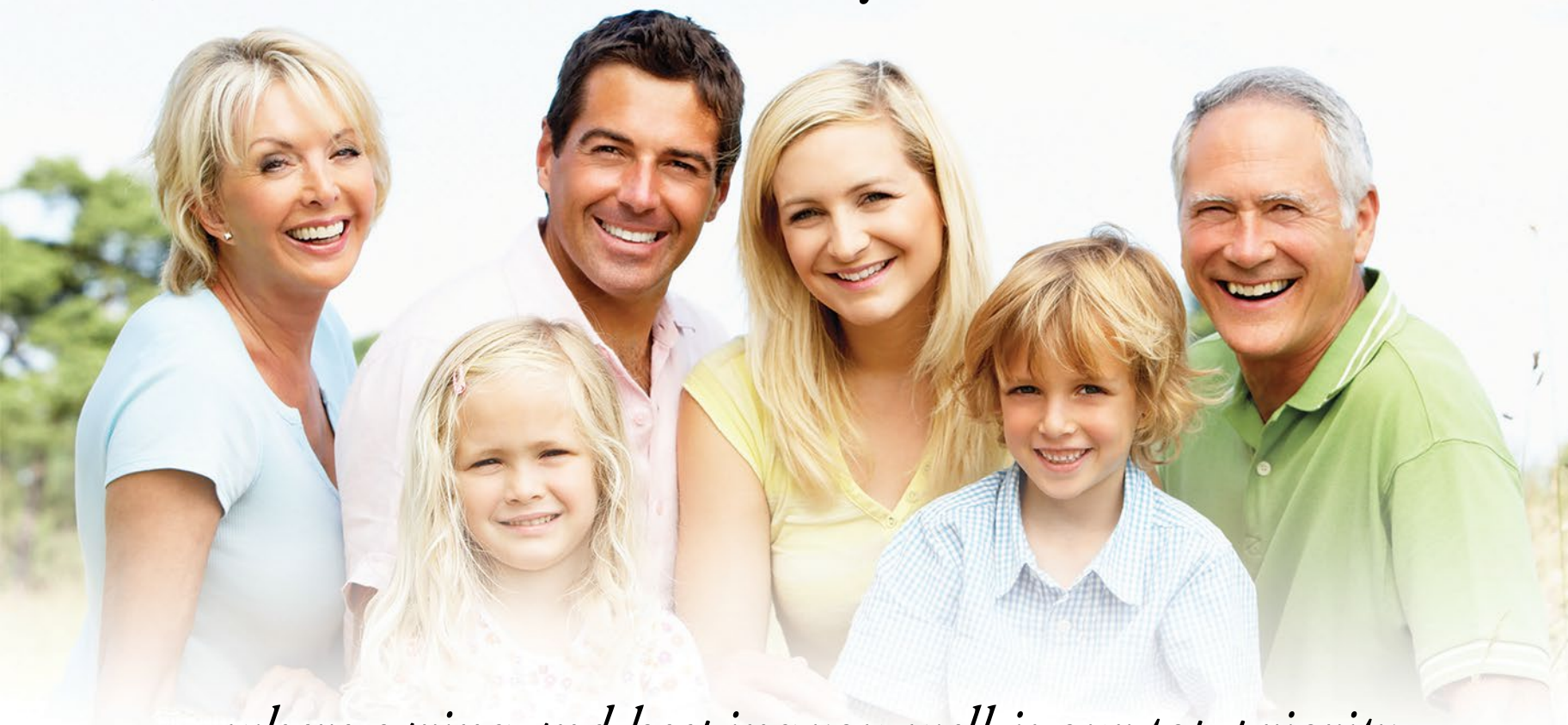
Last week Gov. Maggie Hassan and military and judicial officials came together for the dedication ceremony of New Hampshire's first court devoted to military veterans, the Associated Press reported. The Nashua court will zero in on treating the issues that tend to lead to veterans' crimes, including trauma, anger management and substance abuse. Case hearings at the court will begin in August, and while adjutant general of the New Hampshire National Guard Major General William Reddel stated veterans won't be getting any "get-out-of-jail-free" cards, focusing on intensive treatment will help fix what causes some veterans to commit crimes and may help prevent further criminal behavior.

WORST WEEK

CARIBBEAN VACATIONERS

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services announced two cases of chikungunya in New Hampshire residents who traveled to the Caribbean. The chikungunya virus' most common symptoms are fever and joint pain. Other symptoms may include headache, muscle pain, joint swelling and rash. There is no vaccine against chikungunya and no specific treatment. DHHS Public Health Director Dr. José Montero said that while this is the first time the department has had to announce the virus, it likely won't be the last, as the types of mosquitoes that carry it are spreading to other regions.

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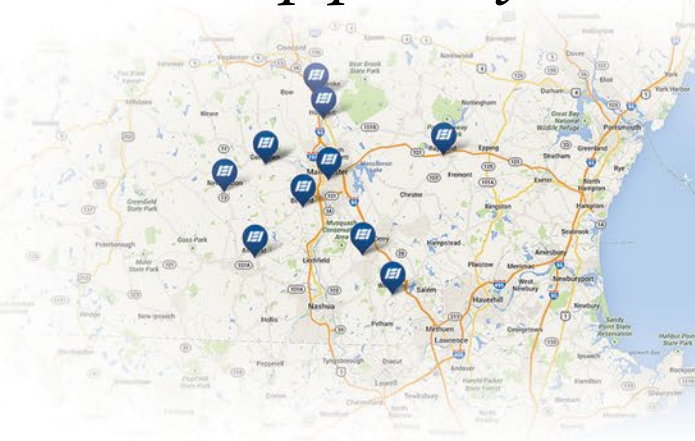


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Fireworks all summer long

Local officials urge residents to use consumer fireworks with caution

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The Fourth of July has come and gone, but firework displays are still hot in New Hampshire.

Public, professional shows will continue to be featured in some local towns and cities, at fairs and Old Home Days and on the beach, and people are still setting off backyard fireworks at family parties, cookouts and waterfront getaways.

"The summer is pretty steady with customers," said Emily Pelkey, inventory operations manager for Atlas Fireworks. She works at the company's Amherst location, which averages about 1,400 customers a day at the peak of summer. "Everyone says, 'We're on a lake, we've got a dock.' ... They are excited to make other people happy, to celebrate something."

But while they make people happy, fireworks can also be dangerous.

During Independence Day weekend, for instance, two adults were injured, one seriously, while setting off backyard fireworks in Pelham, according to Pelham Fire Chief James Midgley.

With the popularity of consumer fireworks come concern and safety warnings from local fire officials, including the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs and the Department of Safety.

"It's not just damage, it's injuries," said Chief David Parenti, president of the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs. "There are eye, hand and burn injuries from people who misuse them or underage people who use them. ... To sum it up is this: We know people are going to use fireworks because they are legal in the state. What we want is them to use them safely."

What's legal?

Just how popular is buying and setting off consumer fireworks in New Hampshire?

The statistics are anecdotal.

"Can I go above 'extremely'?" Parenti asked. "They are very, very popular all summer long, especially with the large influx during summer of out-of-staters. In Massachusetts, fireworks are illegal, so they love to come here and use them."

Local officials are urging consumers to be careful.

That starts with staying away from illegal products: any type of firecracker or any device that produces solely smoke as an effect is prohibited, and bottle rockets and missiles, which can't be directed and which shoot off in any direction, are prohibited. Cherry bombs, M-80s and other explosive fireworks are prohibited by federal law.



But officials say that doesn't mean people aren't getting them.

"They buy them, and there are certain vendors that will deliver anything," Parenti said. "You can go online and order all sorts of fireworks or there are a lot of [local] vendors that sell them as well. When they purchase them it's hard to say what is legal and what isn't."

Each year, the state's licensed fireworks retailers go through strict procedures. First, stores must be inspected by officials of the town or city they are in. Inspectors make sure the buildings have working fire suppression systems, that fuses are covered, and that there is a 4-foot clearing at exits, among other requirements. Once the town grants approval, the state must do the same.

"I have heard of companies being shut down," Pelkey said. "I don't think many places in New Hampshire sell illegal items. ... Luckily, I think the illegal selling over the years been less and less."

But what's legal use differs by municipality. Many locales, including Manchester, Goffstown, Hampton, Nashua and Salem, ban setting off fireworks altogether. Others, like Durham, Greenville, Hudson and Londonderry, require residents to secure a permit before they create their backyard show.

"[Prohibiting the use of fireworks is] for the safety of the people. We just don't have the safe distance to allow them," said Manchester senior fire instructor Peter Lennon.

When the Manchester Fire Department receives calls that someone is shooting off fireworks, it confiscates them and issues a city ordinance violation. Lennon suggests leaving the fireworks to the professionals. The city puts on a holiday show and the Fisher Cats regularly hold fireworks nights.

In Concord, where shooting off fireworks

is allowed, there's a fair amount of activity, and there haven't been any major fires or injuries, said Sean Brown, city fire marshal.

"As long as folks continue to act responsibly and don't cause safety issues or problems, then we won't have any [ordinance] change in the foreseeable future," he said.

Enjoy the show, safely

Nationally, firework injuries are on the rise. In 2013, there were 11,400 injuries related to consumer fireworks, according to a U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission report released June 26. Sixty-five percent of those injuries — 7,400 — occurred in the 30 days surrounding the Fourth of July.

It's difficult to track just how many injuries occur in New Hampshire because the state doesn't have a mandatory burn injury reporting law like surrounding states do, and the only way the Department of Safety finds out about incidents is when fire or police departments for individual jurisdictions call in, said Chris Wyman, investigator with the state fire marshals.

But when calls do come in, the injuries reported aren't just related to the use of illegal fireworks.

"They are coming from what is considered permissible in New Hampshire," Wyman said.

Most of the calls Wyman received were reports of minor to moderate injuries that were "life-altering," predominantly eye injuries. Last year, one incident involved a young girl, approximately 10 years old, who sustained third-degree burns on 20 percent of her body after a sparkler she was using caught her clothing on fire.

Sparklers, fire safety officials say, are deceptive and more harmful in the hands

Firework Safety

For more information on fireworks safety, visit: nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/special-operations/fireworks

of children than people assume. State law prohibits anyone under age 21 from purchasing, possessing and using fireworks — that includes sparklers, which heat up to anywhere from 1,200 to 2,000 degrees. In 2011, they caused 16 percent of all fireworks injuries.

"One of things that I see is everyone assumes sparklers are nice, safe fireworks," Parenti said. "But [kids] drop them and pick them up and can't tell which side burned or didn't, so we end up with burns on hands. That is a big concern."

Another major cause of injuries is people trying to relight fuses of fireworks that didn't go off properly. Usually, these fuses only burn for a couple seconds after being relit, which may not be enough time for people to get out of the way.

New Hampshire officials have released a list of precautions and recommendations on the fire marshal's website.

The easiest way to avoid injury is to attend a professional display and leave fireworks in hands of professionals. If you are going to create your own displays, purchase permissible fireworks only from a New Hampshire-licensed store, purchase only the quantity you intend to use, wear personal protective equipment, like eyewear and gloves, and always have a form of fire extinguishment handy, like a water hose or a bucket of water. Light fireworks on a flat, level surface and make sure all spectators are at a safe distance when the fireworks are ignited. 🌈

Main Street project still on hold

Downsized vision will be voted on July 30

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If you don't live in the Concord area, nobody would fault you if you don't remember how the Capital City's Main Street project got started.

It was more than two years ago, and a lot has happened with it since.

To recap, in the spring of 2012, Concord was one of only a few cities nationally to receive a prestigious federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery grant.

The \$4.71 million in federal funds was slated to cover more than half the costs of an extensive downtown makeover. In the beginning, an advisory committee was created and extensive public input was sought. In total, the project was estimated to cost \$7.85 million.

The proposed project was innovative and transformative. It would make downtown Concord safer, more business-friendly and accessible for people with all physical abilities. It would have wide sidewalks and less traffic, plus plenty of public gathering space and aesthetic charm.

As it stands today, multiple setbacks have delayed groundbreaking, including costs that were significantly higher than expected.

"I'll be honest, nobody thought it would take this long. It was one of those situations, it was one of those things that was beyond your control a little bit," said Brett St. Clair of Louis Karno & Company, the firm handling Main Street Project communication.

From the end of June to the middle of July, Concord City Manager Ed Roberge led a series of public meetings for City Council members and other stakeholders, culminating in a final City Council public hearing July 14 that drew more than a full house and lasted for hours.

The City Council will vote July 30 on four resolutions that could move the project into a construction phase this summer — or not. The changes that have been proposed eliminate some of the design's original bells and whistles, and the base project is expected to cost more than \$10 million.

Main Street tweaks

The changes to the downtown Concord plans were worked out from February to May and made largely behind closed doors with the contractor, Severino Trucking Company of Candia, which was chosen by a special bidding process in February after the project went through two failed rounds of bidding. The secrecy concerned many residents.

"It's an extensive process, and I know

there's been some comment on that process that, boy, that seemed like that was somewhat behind the doors, confidential," Roberge said in front of City Council June 30. "Some of the innovations that were introduced, it was important to remain confidential, as well as the pricing components."

Roberge also talked about which elements of the original design had been eliminated.

For one, the distance to be renovated has shrunk — it will no longer include sections from Concord Street to Storrs Street in the south or Center Street to Storrs Street to the north. That cuts \$1.9 million from the cost.

"The area in question is outside central business performance district," Deputy City Manager Carlos Baia told the Hippo. "All of the plan now falls within that district. ... It's pedestrian-oriented, whereas zoning beyond that is more highway- and car-oriented, so it made it a logical point to shorten the project."

Another major change is doing away with a proposed sidewalk heating snow-melt system. Originally, that was going to be built in a partnership with Concord Steam, a private company that had planned to build a new steam plant. The city was going to use the plant's excess water to heat sidewalks for free, but that private entity was not able to put that deal together, Baia said. Other natural gas and snowmelt systems options also proved too costly.

Instead, developers proposed a "red carpet crew" — a staff of four whose sole function will be removing snow from sidewalks and parking garages, making sure downtown is swept and clean.

"Those costs would be much, much less than any other snow melt option," Baia said.

That saves the city roughly \$4.5 million, Roberge said.

Other project changes include using concrete for bump-out areas instead of granite and doing away with crosswalk upgrades on side streets, updated "smartlight" lighting fixtures that would have allowed for WiFi capability and audio, ornamental fencing and planters, "big belly" trash and recycling cans, and special loam soil for trees. The downtown clock tower will also remain where it is instead of being moved to a new location.

A new construction schedule

Besides design changes, how and when the construction will happen is proposed to shift. Originally, the work was supposed to occur at night, while most businesses were closed. Now, work would happen from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Work is slated to be done during three summer construction phases.

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other side is worked on. There will be extra, free two-hour parking on the open side and ramps leading to storefronts on the closed side so customers can get into shops.

"We're trying to mitigate interferences and proposing innovative accessibility to storefronts," Baia said.

Construction will proceed up the road, with two to four weeks spent in front of each property, depending on the work that needs to be done. When one side is complete, work will flip to the other.

Contractors are set to mobilize work in the northern section of the project. Next year, the south end from Pleasant Street to Center Street will receive the same treatment, and the final season will be dedicated to finishing the landscape and streetscape items.

The timeline is contingent upon weather, and if weather does delay construction, there isn't much funding flexibility.

"You got two options: Either reduce scope at that point, or go back to City Council for more dollars," Roberge said at the June 8 public meeting.

Locals highly divided

The City Council public hearing on July 14 was standing room only.

Business owners and residents flooded the room, and by 10 p.m., the meeting, which started at 7 p.m. and was dominated by public comment, wasn't anywhere close to ending.

"How many people would still like to testify?" Mayor Jim Bouley asked the crowd after a couple solid hours of speakers. Seven people raised their hands.

If one thing was clear from the meeting, it was that Concord residents care about what happens to their downtown, but they are also extremely polarized on the issue.

There were some who want to see the project disappear.

"My sincere belief is that Concord property taxpayers already shoulder a heavy tax burden, and this project exacerbates that problem. I'm in favor of scrapping the entire Main Street [project] before it's too late," said resident Jim Baer. "This project is not

based on need, but on special interests with agendas."

Then there were a few on the other end of the spectrum, who asked the council to spend more money, invest bigger, and add some of those flashy bells and whistles back.

"We feel there is a need for a wow factor in this project," said Chamber of Commerce President Tim Sink. "One of the items that would have been a wow factor was the fountain at city plaza, and for various reasons that didn't make it into the plan, but an area that might provide a wow factor is uplighting in some of the fixtures in downtown Concord."

Stephen Duprey, president at Foxfire Property Management and The Duprey Companies, agreed. He said colored lighting would be the single most beneficial item to add back into the plans.

"It should go forward," he said. "To be very honest, I think you should spend more money. ... Main Street defines a community."

Others still were in favor of the project but had a few specific concerns — many merchants were disappointed to see the snowmelt system go, and some wanted more parking.

Pam Peterson, owner of Gondwana Clothing, worries about moving construction to daytime hours.

"A lot of us downtown who are alive and vital because of foot traffic and only foot traffic ... are dependent on people walking in. I am very concerned if our customers can't get to us," she said.

The administrator of Downtown Concord's Facebook page, Nicholas Joseph, said he was in favor of the project but the city hasn't done its job showing it will be a revenue-generator or exhausting funding options.

"Money can be found elsewhere. Crowdfunding is a huge thing right now. There is a potato salad kickstarter campaign that has raised \$50,000 as of tonight. ... Other crowdfunding sources could be the chamber reaching out to the rest of the state. And why would I bring up the rest of the state? Because we're the Capital City," he said.

Mountain man

Local author writes about honeymoon hike

A year after local author and hiking enthusiast (and Hippo associate publisher) Dan Szczesny published *The Adventures of Buffalo and Tough Cookie*, his new work, *The Nepal Chronicles*, hits shelves this month. Part travelogue, part memoir, the book captures Szczesny and his wife Meenakshi's adventures as they get married in Kathmandu, then trek to the Everest Base Camp.

Q: *What did a day of hiking look like?*

We hiked unguided and unportered. We were not part of a commercial trekking group. We carried our own gear and we guided ourselves. ... Because of that, our advantage was we had a lot of time on our hands. We spent 16 days in the Himalayas and we could rest when we wanted, or if we liked a town we could stay there. So it helped us acclimate. It also allowed us to really submerge ourselves into the culture. I had the advantage of being with Meena. She knew how to speak the language.

Your first book was about hiking with your 10-year-old foster daughter, and this book is about hiking with your new wife. What's the difference between hiking with a 10-year-old and an adult?

With Janelle, I was 100 percent responsible. ... When you are an adult and you are on the trail and you're miles and miles from the road and you have no options, you're exhausted and out of food or water or in the middle of a rain storm, you don't cry. You don't break down, you just grumble and put your head down and get out of there. But when you're a kid, the no-option option is often accompanied by some unpleasantness, so I had to be very aware of her temperament and what she could and couldn't do. ... When adults hike together, you are very goal-oriented. You are reaching a summit. But with kids, there is no end game. The journey is what it's about, so I had to learn that. The summits aren't important. Getting to the summits are.

How did you decide to do this together?

[Meena's] father, who knew that we loved hiking, actually came to me and said, 'Would you be willing to get married in a traditional Nepalese wedding ceremony



Dan Szczesny

in Kathmandu?' and I thought about that for a split second and I said, 'Yes, absolutely, of course.' ... Since we were going to be there anyway ... it just made sense.

What was most surprising about Nepal?

Absolutely everything. Meena said to me, 'When you go to Nepal you are going to see things that you just simply don't understand and if you try to make sense of those things as we go it's just going to drive you crazy. So just put it in a box in your head and then later come back to it and figure it out. At the time, it'll drive you nuts.' And she was completely right.

What was the most dangerous thing about the trip?

The most dangerous thing was cultural appropriation, because as a Westerner I go there and I'm dropped into this culture in a way that is actually being part of that society and culture, and the worst thing that I can do is treat it as odd or strange or peculiar. There's a lot of talk about the ugly American, and that's a stereotype, but there's some truth to it, unfortunately.

How did you translate the whole experience into a book?

What I had to do was find what I felt was the heart of every day or hike. And whether that was finding a monastery or a particularly difficult climb or finding an interesting character along the way, that would be the core of the chapter and I would fashion the rest of it around that.

What advice do you have for travelers that they won't find in a guidebook?

There are three bits of advice as a traveler, whether it's trekking to the Himalayas or going to the Candia Farmers Market. One is to be fearless. Two is to have insatiable curiosity. Three is leave your prejudices at home. If you can do those things, anywhere you go is going to be an adventure. — *Rebecca Fishow*

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Five favorites

Movie: *Kill Bill 2*

Book: *The Snow Leopard* by Peter Matthiessen, the book that made me want to go to Nepal

Kind of Music: Jazz

Food: food truck Mexican

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Summer, 603 style

Love summer in New Hampshire so much you just feel like singing along to a poppy, funny, humorous and catchy song about it? You're in luck. After two hit New Hampshire anthems, "Granite State of Mind" Parts 1 and 2, notorious musical comedy duo Super Secret Project is back to rapping and singing about our good old state. This time, they've paired up with local sensations Roots of Creation to create "Summer in the 603." The Sublime parody song and music video pays homage to Water Country, Hampton Beach, and the Lakes Region at youtube.com/watch?v=bxlNWruXFA.

QOL score: +1

Comment: Here's a sample of the lyrical goodness: "When the sun is blazing, and the summer gets hot/ we don't take it for Granite my home state straight rocks/ We got the drive-in in Milford and Meadowbrook up in Gilford/ Damn, I miss Benson's Animal Farm - that place was the illest."

Summer camp willies

After a bed bug outbreak at Camp Spaulding in Penacook, some campers won't want to hold onto their summer camp memories. According to the Associated Press, staffers found the creepy crawlers in two boys' cabins, then moved the boys into different cabins and brought in an exterminator. But the Concord Health Department said a more intensive cleaning is needed. In the next few months bedframes will be switched out and fashioned with new mattresses; floors and walls will be sealed; and all the camp's surfaces will be steam-cleaned.

QOL score: -1

Comment: Not exactly the kinds of friends one hopes to make at summer camp...

Duck tales

Last Wednesday, five baby ducklings fell through a storm grate on Morrison Drive in Londonderry, six to eight feet below the road's surface. Luckily, the water below (yuck) cushioned the fall, and the noisy fowl cries caused a nearby resident to call the fire department for help. The mama duck, according to an Eagle Tribune article, was standing off to one side, in a panic when rescuers arrived on the scene with a pool net from the nearby scuba shop.

QOL Score: +1 for duckling-saving firefighters

Comment: Unfortunately, the little ducks didn't learn from this misadventure; firefighters were called on the scene again at 6:30 p.m. that same day. Two ducklings had gone back through the same storm grate. The firefighters are seriously considering purchasing a pool net for the next time this happens.

Mental health on the mend

Maggie Hassan has signed a \$11 million mental health package designed to strengthen the state's mental health system, according to NHPR. The new law is the result of a class-action lawsuit filed in 2012 — the Disabilities Rights Center and U.S. Department of Justice had sued the state for its lack of adequate care — which allocates \$11 million the next fiscal year for community-based treatment options, which will include supportive housing and crisis response teams. This acts as the first portion of a \$30 million settlement agreement.

QOL Score: +1

Comment: Supporters say the funding will restore the state's strained system and keep people in mental health crisis out of ill-equipped emergency rooms.

QOL score: 88

Net change: +2

QOL this week: 90

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SPORTS DAVE LONG'S LONGSHOTS

Decisions loom for Red Sox brass



A year ago the Red Sox were on their way to winning the World Series with a team that didn't seem nearly talented enough to pull that off. But to their credit they somehow did, after things just seemed to go right at the most crucial moments. Often times things were done by guys whose career stats suggested they couldn't. But they did, and that's the magic of sports.

However, that was then and now the chickens are coming home to roost. Now it's just the opposite, where the Navas, Carps, Gomes et al. are out of miracles and the team has sunk accordingly. It's left them 43-52 at the All-Star break and eight games back of Seattle for the final wild card spot, with eight teams to climb over to claim it, so things don't look good. But since we all remember it took them just one month to blow an 8.5-game wild card lead in 2011, the brass knows it's not impossible to make up eight games with 2½ months left. And the picture was further complicated by **Clay Buchholz** pitching great in the final game before the break, showing he may now be ready to be a factor after being no help in the first half. So what are they to do at the trading deadline that arrives in two weeks — buy or sell?

Here are some of the factors under consideration as they ponder which it will be when July 31 arrives.

Can They Get What They Need in a Deal? They need not one, but two hitters. And with so many teams still in the wild card race and unwilling to part with good players, it seems unlikely.

Why Sell? It gives on-the-job training for the likes of **Mookie Betts**, **Christian Vazquez**, **Brandon Workman**, **Rubby De La Rosa** and others who've been coming up from the minors in recent weeks. That

lets the brass know who will and won't be ready to contribute in 2015. It also showcases other young players who could go in off-season trades to get the hitters needed to invigorate the offense in 2015.

Can You Play With Youngsters And Compete? I look at it this way: They're not getting it done with the vets, so what do they have to lose? They might catch lightning in a bottle, and if they don't they're not any worse off than now.

How Do You Decide Who Goes? Free agents and guys who won't be part of the mix next year like **Stephen Drew**, **Jonny Gomes**, **Jake Peavy**, **Mike Carp** and **Edward Mujica** are obvious candidates. They either get moved in a deal or get designated for assignment to clear space for those mentioned above. Tougher choices are free agents to be who you want to be part of the 2015 nucleus, like **Koji Uehara** and **Andrew Miller**, who would bring something back of value. I'd personally hang on to both and try to sign them. Although another option is to trade them and try to bring them back as free agents. Many say **Felix Doubront** should go too, but I'd hold on to him for the larger deals that will come in the off-season for hitting, where a lefty starter will have value. So he stays in the bullpen.

Xander Bogaerts: He's been the biggest disappointment of the year and more so offensively than defensively. But some of that has been helped by the team screwing with his head by moving him out of shortstop. So, with **Stephen Drew's** return a total disaster, they need to put him back at shortstop for the rest of the season to see if he's the shortstop of the future or not.

Young Guys Already Here: Will **Jackie Bradley Jr.** hit enough to benefit from his stellar defense? He seems to be improving offensively, and playing every day against all kinds of pitching will help that. As for **Will Middlebrooks**, it's now or never. He either returns from the minors to hit around

.270 with 10-plus homers and 35-40 RBI or he's out of chances. In the unlikely event that happens, he could be moving anyway if Bogaerts doesn't cut it at short.

Who Plays and Where: That's what they have to find for **Brock Holt** and **Mookie Betts**, who's a second baseman but with **Dustin Pedroia** there he's headed to the outfield. As for Holt, I love him as guy who could get 300 at-bats by filling in all over the field. That gives the bench depth and flexibility. If Middlebrooks does hit, they can see how he can handle first base as well.

John Lester: He is the biggest question by far, because if the brass is sticking to their unrealistic offer of four years for \$80 million, he's gone to free agency. And don't for a second believe they can sign him after the year. Has any player who's gotten that far — **Roger Clemens**, **Mo Vaughn**, **Johnny Damon**, **Jacoby Ellsbury** — ever re-signed? The answer is no, so if that's their stance, Lester should be traded for as much as they can get.

Contract Flexibility: While the contract flexibility thing worked last year, it can't be an absolute. You can diddle around with that four-year offer, but you'll lose the majority of the time because the reality is that true No. 1 starters like Lester command \$20 million per year and get seven or eight years on the open market. I don't like that, because it carries gigantic risk (see CC in NYC), but a No. 1 starter is as important as a quality quarterback is to an NFL contender. So unless you have someone to step in for him, as **Andrew Luck** did for **Peyton Manning** in Indy, which they don't, you have to bite the bullet and count the last two less effective years at the back end as the cost of doing business. Thus they need to get the Lester deal done NOW.

Decision No. 1 is Lester, and all others fall in line after that.

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Clean sweep for Keselowski

The Big Story: Not that I could pick him out of the crowd, but most who were on hand could show you who **Brad Keselowski** is in the 100,000 in the crowd at NHIS. That's especially true after his huge weekend in Loudon, where he swept both major events for the first time ever. He was the winner in the Nationwide Series race on Saturday and followed up with a win in the Camping World RV Sales 301 when he led for 138 of the 305 laps on Sunday.

Sports 101: If Cleveland wins the NBA title with the roster it had when **LeBron James** signed with the Cavs last week, they'll join one other team that won a title with four players picked first overall in the draft. Name the team that did it and the four players who went first overall.

Hot Ticket: It's the Men's State Amateur Golf Championship finals at Stonebridge CC in Goffstown on Saturday.

Coming and Going: The Monarchs announced they hired **Chris Hajt** as an assistant coach on the staff being put together by new head man **Mike Stothers**. Meanwhile, way down south after getting the ax in Manchester, the man Stothers replaced, **Mark Morris**, has hooked on as an assistant coach with the Florida Panthers.

Comeback of the Week: It goes to the Goffstown All-Stars after they put 14 runs on the board in the fourth inning after entering the stanza down 8-4 to Bedford. **Derek Steckowych** had a single and the big hit, a grand slam, but he wasn't alone as **Connor Hujsak** also had solo jack and **Bobby Doherty** got on base four times with three singles and a base on balls. It propelled them to an 18-8 winner's bracket win on Tuesday and into the finals of the Little League District I All-Star Final later in the week.

Sports 101 Answer: The L.A. Lakers won NBA titles in 1986-87 and 1987-88 with **Kareem Abdul Jabbar** (1969), **Magic Johnson** (79), **James Worthy** (83) and **Mychal Thompson** (78), who were all once selected first overall in the NBA draft.

On This Date – July 17: 1941 – Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak ends in Cleveland. **1978 – Yankees manager Billy Martin** and star **Reggie Jackson** fight in dugout. **2005 – Tiger Woods** earns his 10th major by winning the British Open by five strokes. **Born: 1942 – Connie (The Hawk) Hawkins — Julius Erving** before **Julius Erving** and New York City playground legend. **Died: 1961 – Ty Cobb**, Detroit Tigers great, of cancer at 74. 🐾

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Tastes from readers' favorite ice cream shops

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Many of these flavors are available at multiple places, but we simply, and somewhat arbitrarily, picked one flavor from each place and categorized them so we'd end up with a relatively equal number of vanilla-based, chocolate-based, fruity and "other" flavors for your enjoyment.

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Ice cream was eaten, written about and photographed by Emelia Attridge, Rebecca Fishow, Kelly Sennott and Austin Sorrette.

Vanilla Flavors



Peanut Butter Cup

Vanilla ice cream with bits of Reese's peanut butter cups and a peanut butter swirl

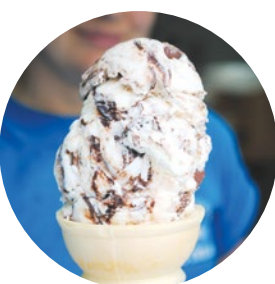
Where we got it: (No. 32) Town Docks Restaurant (289 Daniel Webster Hwy, Meredith, 279-3445, thecman.com/restaurants-and-menus/town-docks.aspx)



Snickers

Vanilla ice cream with a caramel swirl, peanuts and chocolate chips

Where we got it: (No. 28) Bailey's Bubble (5 Railroad Ave., Wolfeboro, 569-3612, baileysbubble.com)



Moose Tracks

Vanilla ice cream with mini peanut butter cups and a fudge swirl

Where we got it: (No. 48) Happy Cow Ice Cream Shop (385 Union Ave, Laconia, 524-7772, happycownh.com)



Maple Bacon

Vanilla ice cream fused with maple syrup and bits of candied bacon

Where we got it: (No. 12) Jordan's Ice Creamery (894, New Hampshire Route 106, Belmont, 267-1900, facebook.com/jordansic)



Cookie Monster

Vanilla ice cream dyed blue with a cinnamon graham cracker swirl, bits of crushed up Oreo, and chocolate chips

Where we got it: (No. 42) Sawyer's Dairy Bar & Restaurant (1933 Lake Shore Road, Gilford, 293-4422, sawyersnh.com)



M&M

Vanilla ice cream mixed with pieces of M&M's

Where we got it: (No. 45) Hodgies Too Ice Cream (136 Rabbit Road, Salisbury, Mass., 978-463-0214, hodgies.com)



Holy Cow

Vanilla ice cream with a fudge swirl, brownie and cookie pieces, bits of Reese's peanut butter cups and Snickers, M&M's, chocolate chips and Heath bar pieces

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Vanilla Raspberry Truffle

Vanilla frozen yogurt, with a black raspberry swirl, and pieces of fudge brownie

Where we got it: (No. 17) Lagos Ice Cream
(71 Lafayette Road, Rye, 964-9880, lagosicecream.com)



Totally Turtle

Vanilla ice cream with brownie bits, caramel swirl and cashew pieces

Where we got it: (No. 33) The Beach Plum
(17 Ocean Blvd., North Hampton, 964-7451, thebeachplum.net)



Tollhouse

Vanilla ice cream with pieces of baked chocolate chip cookie

Where we got it: (No. 44) The Ice House Restaurant
(112 Wentworth Road, Rye, 431-3086, theicehouserestaurant.com)



Yellow Brick Road

Golden vanilla ice cream, with a caramel swirl, roasted pecans and pralines

Where we got it: (No. 22) Annabelle's Natural Ice Cream
(49 Ceres St., Portsmouth, 436-3400, annabellesicecream.com)



Sweet & Salty

Vanilla ice cream with sea-salted caramel swirl and pieces of chocolate-covered pretzel

Where we got it: (No. 50) Golick's Dairy Bar
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Where we got it: (No. 11) Johnson's Seafood and Steak
(1334 First NH Tpke., Northwood, 942-7300, eatatjohnsons.com)



Chocolate Flavors



Chocolate ice cream

Where we got it: (No. 43) Mack's Apples
(230 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, 434-7619, macksapples.com)



Chocolate Cookie Monster

Chocolate ice cream with chocolate cookie dough and swirls of chocolate cookie crumb

Where we got it: (No. 7) Blake's Creamery (353 S. Main St., Manchester, 669-0220; there's also a location at 53 Hooksett Road, Manchester, 627-1110, blakesicecream.com)



Chocolate Fudge Walnut

Chocolate ice cream and walnuts

Where we got it: (No. 1) Puritan Backroom
(245 Hooksett Road, Manchester, 666-9893, puritanbackroom.com)



Milky Way

Chocolate ice cream, caramel and chocolate chips

Where we got it: (No. 46) Stillwell's Ice Cream (59 Route 27, Raymond, 895-1100, 895-1100. There are also locations at 160 Plaistow Road, Plaistow, 382-5655; 190 Water St., Exeter, 777-5077; 356 Lafayette Road, Hampton, 926-6990; and 18 Mount Major Highway, Alton Bay, 293-7600.)

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Where we got it: (No. 35) Devriendt Farm
(178 S. Mast St., Goffstown, 497-2793, devriendtfarm.com)



Chocolate Peanut Butter

Chocolate ice cream and chunks of peanut butter

Where we got it: (No. 2) GoldenRod Drive-In Restaurant
(1681 Candia Road, Manchester, 623-9469, goldenrodrestaurant.com)



Chocolate Whoopie Pie

Chocolate ice cream and bits of whoopie pie brownie and frosting

Where we got it: (No. 16) Cremeland Drive-In (250 Valley St., Manchester, 669-4430)



Sweet N' Salty Pretzel

Chocolate ice cream, chocolate-coated pretzel nibs, salted caramel and marshmallow

Where we got it: (No. 34) The Brick House Drive-In
(1391 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, 622-8091, bhrestaurant.net)



Rocky Road

Chocolate ice cream with mini marshmallows, chocolate chips and chopped nuts

Where we got it: (No. 26) Merrivale Farms Ice Cream Shoppe (254 W. River Road, Hooksett)

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Where we got it: (No. 3) Hayward's Ice Cream Stand (7 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua, 888-4663, haywardsicecream.com)



Black Raspberry

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Where we got it: (No. 6) The Inside Scoop (260 Wallace Road, Bedford, 471-7009, theinsidescoopnh.com)



Banana Fudge

Banana-flavored ice cream with gooey fudge swirls

Where we got it: (No. 10) Hayward's Ice Cream Stand (383 Elm St., Milford, 627-8383, haywardsicecream.com)



Strawberry Cheesecake

Cheesecake-flavored ice cream ribboned with strawberry syrup

Where we got it: (No. 13) The Big 1 (185 Concord St., Nashua, facebook.com/pages/The-Big-1/111775805518047)



Strawberry

Bold and smooth strawberry soft serve

Where we got it: (No. 14) King Kone (Route 3, Merrimack, 424-6848, facebook.com/pages/King-Kone/119341158116139)



Orange pineapple

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Where we got it: (No. 36) Findeisen's Ice Cream (297 Derry Road, Hudson, 886-9422, facebook.com/pages/Findeisens-Ice-Cream-Hudson/111514118889215)



Watermelon Sorbet

Dairy-free, sweet watermelon scoops

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Raspberry Sorbet

Dairy-free and smooth raspberry flavor

Where we got it: (No. 38) Countrybrook Farms
(175 Lowell Road, Hudson, 886-5200, countrybrookfarms.com)



Other Flavors



Red Velvet Cake

Red velvet cake-flavored ice cream with red velvet cake pieces and a cream cheese frosting swirl

Where we got it: (No. 23) Ballard's Ice Cream
(7 Broadway, Concord, 225-5666, ballardsicecream.com)



Graham Central Station

Graham cracker-flavored ice cream with graham cracker variegate and chocolate-covered crisp candy

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Salted Caramel

Salted caramel soft-serve frozen yogurt, which we topped with pirouline cookies and crushed pieces of a Hershey chocolate bar

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Peppermint Stick

Peppermint-flavored ice cream, made with Granite State Candy Shoppe candy canes

Where we got it: (No. 8) Granite State Candy Shoppe
(13 Warren St., Concord, 225-2591, nhchocolates.com)



Pistachio

Pistachio-flavored ice cream with pistachio nuts

Where we got it: (No. 27) Summer Freeze
(74 Fisherville Road, Concord, 228-0579, summerfreeze.com)



Gingersnap

Gingersnap-flavored ice cream made gingersnap cookie ingredients like molasses, cinnamon and ginger

Where we got it: (No. 31) Richardson's Farm
(170 Water St., Boscawen, 796-2788, sites.google.com/site/richardsonsfarmnh/home)



Cotton Candy

Cotton candy-flavored ice cream with pink and blue swirls

Where we got it: (No. 47) Dudley's Ice Cream (846 Route 106 N, Loudon, 783-4800)



S'mores

Graham cracker-flavored ice cream with chocolate chips and marshmallow sauce swirl

Where we got it: (No. 21) Frekey's Dairy Freeze (97 Suncook Valley Road, Chichester, 798-5443, facebook.com/frekeysdairyfreeze)



Dinosaur Crunch

Vanilla ice cream dyed blue with brownie bits, chocolate chunks and chocolate variegate swirl

Where we got it: (No. 4) Arnie's Place (164 Loudon Road, Concord, 228-3225, arniesplace.com)



Maple Walnut

Maple-flavored ice cream with walnuts

Where we got it: (No. 25) Lang's Ice Cream (510 Pembroke St., Pembroke, 225-7483, langs-icecream.com)



Bubble Gum

Bubble gum-flavored ice cream with Chiclet gum

Where we got it: (No. 40) Nana's Snack Shack (1387 S. Stark Hwy, Weare, 529-3474)



Cake Batter

Cake-flavored ice cream with yellow cake and chocolate swirl

Where we got it: (No. 29) Intervale Ice Cream (931 Flanders Road, Henniker, 428-7196)



Mint Chocolate Chip

Green peppermint-flavored ice cream with chocolate morsels

Where we got it: (No. 49) High Tide Takeout (239 Henniker St., Hillsborough, 464-4202, hightidetakeout.com)



Cappuccino Crunch

Cappuccino coffee ice cream with cappuccino toffee crunch

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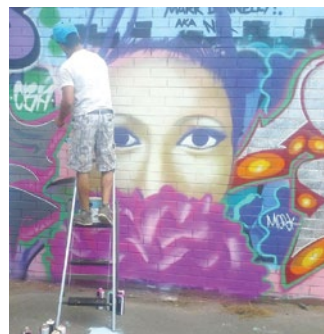
Thursday, July 17

Get a bird's eye view at the Hillsborough Balloon Festival & Fair, which kicks off today and runs through Sunday at the Fairgrounds in Hillsborough (see balloonfestival.org for directions). Get a ride in a hot air balloon for \$200 per person (rides are Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings and Saturday and Sunday mornings, weather permitting). Or, take a tethered ride for \$15 or get a look at the hot air balloons inflated and lit up at the Night Glow on Friday. The festival also features a carnival, music, a road race and a hometown parade on Sunday. Find the schedule of events, information on how to reserve a ride and pricing for the rides online.



Saturday, July 19

Uncanoonuc Mt. Perennials (425 Mountain Road in Goffstown, uncanoonucmt.com) will hold its annual open house today and tomorrow (July 20) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The weekend will include informal garden talks (about growing berries at 11 a.m. and about growing flowers for flower arrangements 1 p.m.) on both days, free soil pH testing at 1 p.m. on Sunday and an opportunity to walk through the gardens of roses, daylilies and other perennials.



Sunday, July 20

Take a walk in downtown Nashua as part of the Positive Street Art Mural Tour to support Nashua Honduras Outreach Team today at 11 a.m. Hear about the city's murals, including history, conception and plans for future. Donations accepted. The tour starts at Dunkin' Donuts on Canal and Main streets, a mile and a half long. Visit positivestreetart.org.



Tuesday, July 22

Enjoy some old-fashioned fun at the Country Barn Dance in Community Park in Henniker tonight at 7 p.m. Listen to the fiddle, banjo and mandolin of Tom and Annie's Caravan Band and join in the dance, which will be taught on site before the dance is called. The event is part of the Henniker Summer Concert Series and the concerts are free (donations welcome) and take place at the Angela Robinson Bandstand. See henniker.org.

Friday, July 18

Kick off your weekend with a little Mozart and Mendelssohn when the Montblanc Quartet play at Concord Community Music School (23 Wall St. in Concord) tonight at 8 p.m. The concert is part of the New Hampshire Music Festival's 603 Series; tickets cost \$20. Visit nhmf.org, call 535-2787.

Eat: BBQ

The 8th annual BBQ Tailgate Competition will be held Saturday, July 19, and Sunday, July 20 with the Brookline Fire Department at the Brookline Ball Field (Route 130, Milford St., Brookline). Competitors can enter for \$75. Categories include ribs, chicken wings and pulled pork. KCBS certified judges judge ribs and chicken wing categories, and pulled pork will be judged by People's Choice. \$5 admission for five different pulled pork samples and a ballot. See brooklinefd.com/BBQ.htm.

Drink: Stark Brewing Co. beer

Milly's Tavern (500 Commercial St., Manchester, 625-4444, millystavern.com) will hold a summer beer dinner featuring its Stark Brewing Co. on Friday, July 25, from 6 to 9 p.m. Includes social hour with appetizer and five-course dinner (vegetarian entree option available), each served with a different brew. Tickets cost \$45.

Be merry: On the water

The New Hampshire Boat Museum will hold a two-hour guided kayak and canoe trip on Lake Wentworth in Wolfeboro on Thursday, July 24, at 10 a.m. The event is open to kayakers and canoeists 15 and older (15 to 17 year olds must be accompanied by an adult). Bring your own equipment. Reserve a spot by calling 569-4554 or call nhbm.org.

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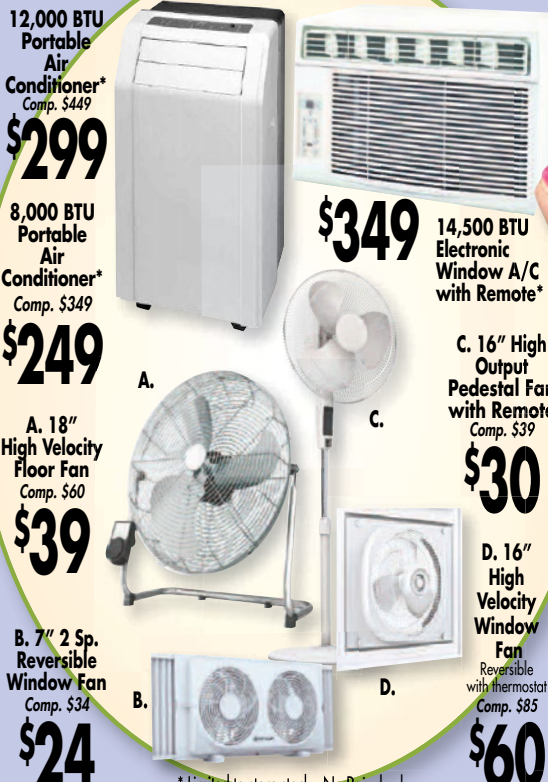


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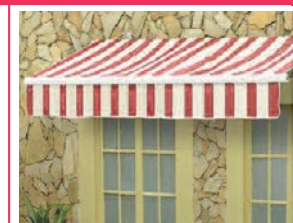


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Yarn explosions

Everything and everyone in sweaters at Knit & Crochet Show

By Kelly Sennott
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Knit & Crochet Show attendees won't be the only ones wearing sweaters this weekend; Elm Street trees, lamp posts, signs and bus stop benches will be wrapped in yarn too.

The Knit & Crochet Show hits Manchester Wednesday, July 23, through Sunday, July 27, at the Radisson Center. The event includes workshops, classes and exhibition booths produced by some of the best knitters and crocheters in the world. (Lily Chin will be one of those instructors; deemed the "fastest crocheter in the world," she was a guest on *Late Night with Dave Letterman* in 2008 and created a sweater for the comedian during the one-hour show.)

But this year's event, sponsored by the Crochet Guild of America, will also include a few whimsical surprises scattered about the venue. Come July 23, Guild members will have created decorated fiber squares to scatter and coat the Radisson Center's front grounds and inside lobby.

"We're doing a yarn bomb in honor of the Crochet Guild of America's 20th anniversary," said Jennifer Ryan, a guild member and Manchester resident, who's organizing the outdoor and indoor yarn display.

Ryan is also a crochet designer; much



Come July 23, the Radisson's insides and outsides will be covered in yarn. Courtesy photo.

of her work has been featured in crochet and yarn company magazines, and she was heavily involved with last year's outdoor fiber arts installation at the Currier Museum of Art, part of its Art Fest celebration. She suggested the idea to Knit & Crochet Show organizers when she heard the event would happen in Manchester again. They agreed and put out a nationwide call to artists.

At the time of the interview, Ryan was busy collecting, organizing and delegating the design and layout of the installation, which includes more than 500 crocheted squares, donated by guild members and local crocheters to decorate the grounds.

"Benches, trees, lamp posts — those are some of the things we'll be covering," Ryan said. "There are small bamboo trees and a garden inside the hotel lobby — we'll

decorate those, as well as the furniture in the lounge, the lamps and railings, and of course, the front desk."

Some of the squares were made with specialty yarn, made to look like glittery fur; some are 3-D, with flowers bursting from the seams. Others contain New Hampshire icons. (One square depicts an alien face, made in honor of Anita and Benny Hill, a couple who claimed to have been abducted by extraterrestrials in New Hampshire, 1961.) Others sport the number 20 in honor of the Guild's 20th anniversary.

Red Heart Yarn is sponsoring the bomb, and if you've missed the memo before its start, the company will donate yarn on-site for crocheters to make something to add.

It's helped, Ryan said, that the Currier's 2013 Art Fest contained an outdoor fiber arts installation; the community art proj-

ect offered up a whimsical, surprising way to view yarn, not just as something to keep people warm, but as art to admire. It was these photos she showed to event organizers and to the Radisson; she thinks that because of last year's event, people are more open-minded to the idea.

"Someone at the event last year said, 'This is the kind of art that makes you smile.' I love how yarn bombings show off how versatile crochet, specifically, can be," Ryan said. "It's displayed in ways you wouldn't expect."

After July 27, community crochet and knitting groups will stitch together the yarn bomb's decor and create blankets to donate.

The show as a whole, according to guild member and Merrimack resident Pat Heinrich, is a crocheter's paradise. She's been involved with CGOA for more than 10 years and admires how the event, every time she attends, enables her to learn more about the craft, whether it be new techniques (hairpin lace, for instance) or new inspirations.

Every year, she walks away totally energized and invigorated.

"Everybody there is wearing crochet, even in the summer," said Heinrich, who also facilitates a crochet group in Merrimack. "Short-sleeved sweaters, socks, pants, skirts, dresses, shawls, scarves, shrugs, flip flops — the only thing you won't see them wearing is blankets."

There's a "serenity zone" for knitters and crocheters, Ryan explained, a sort of social group where people sit, knit and chat. In addition to the many technique classes, there will be booths with vendors from all over the country, a fashion show, competitions and social events, open to guild members and also general yarn enthusiasts. Admission is \$5 to enter the expo, and for the most part, you can enter a class the day of, as long as it's not already full. 🌱

Attend the Knit & Crochet Show

Where: the Radisson Hotel, 700 Elm St., Manchester

When: Wednesday, July 23, through Sunday, July 27. There are events that occur 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day except Sunday, when events run from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Admission: \$5 at the door for entrance, tuition for classes is extra

Contact: knitandcrochetshow.com

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Includes listings for gallery events, ongoing exhibits and classes. To get listed, e-mail arts@hippopress.com.

ART

• **LIFE AS ART** summer series at Dancing Lion Chocolate, 917 Elm St., Manchester, featuring local artists. Mayan-inspired weaving taught by Cheryl Holbert on Thurs., July 17, 4:30 p.m.; Chocolate-making bonbons class Thurs., Aug. 14, 4:30-6:30 p.m. taught by Kerry Harmon. Free events, more events in works; artists call 625-4043, email richtl@dancinglion.us.

• **OUR CITY: LIVE ART BATTLE** on Sun., July 20, 5-10 p.m., at Milly's Tavern, 500 N. Commercial St., Manchester, positivestreetart.org. Four artists go head-to-head in painting performance battle; includes mini-art exhibitions by local artists, dance performances, poetry slams. Finalists move on to event on Sun., Sept. 7, Nashua's Downtown Arts Fest.

• **MANCHESTER TROLLEY TOUR** Thurs., July 24, 5-8

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p.m., in downtown Manchester. Various galleries open and free for viewing during this time, while trolleys chauffeur attendees around the downtown; visit majestictheatre.net for details.

• **DOWNTOWN ART MOVEMENT** July Paint Social Tues., July 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at Agave Azul, 98 Main St., Nashua, led by artist Jacqui Hawk, and on Thurs., July 31, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at WineNot Boutique, 170 Main St., Nashua, led by artist Mar-

garet Williams. Admission \$35. Order tickets at psapaintsocial-winenot.eventbrite.com. Visit positivestreetart.org.

Exhibit openings

• **"NEW VISIONS, VOICES VIEWS FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES"** on view at Castle in the Clouds, Route 171, Moultonborough, July 18 through Sept. 1. Juried exhibition showcasing artworks in variety of media

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• **NHIA GRADUATE PROGRAMS FACULTY ART EXHIBITION** on view at the Sharon Arts Center Exhibition Gallery, 30 Grove St., Peterborough, on view now through Aug. 30. Reception Fri., July

25, 5-7 p.m., with professors from the low-residency MFA program. Visit nhia.edu/exhibitions-presentations.

• **MARGERY THOMAS MUELLER** shows art through July 30 at the Patricia Ladd Carega Gallery, 69 Maple St., Center Sandwich. Reception on Wed., July 23, 5-7 p.m., patricia-laddcarega.com, 284-7728.

• **"BE PREPARED TO STOP"** celebration of construction by artists John Bonner, Barbara

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• **It's that time of year:** Trolley time. Manchester Open Doors is on Thursday, July 24, from 5 to 8 p.m. in downtown Manchester. It's prime time to see what Manchester galleries are up to (but the best part about the event is that it's free to partake in). During these hours, two trolleys will circulate the same route to and from each of the participating galleries, stopping at each venue about every 30 minutes (though many galleries are also close enough to one another that you can walk to them). Those participating venues are: Langer Place (55 S. Commercial St.), which features stoneware by Bob Roy and oil paintings by Rich Dickinson; the Millyard Museum and SEE Science Center (200 Bedford St.), which has a "Nano Mini" exhibition at SEE and "Woven in Time" at the Millyard; the Manchester Vineyard Community Church (150 Dow St.), which features art by Peggy Jackson, Sara Morris and Nicole Harper; E.W. Poore Framing, Inc. (775 Canal St.), a custom framing studio with work by Paul Ducret; the Art 3 Gallery (44 W. Brook St.), which contains work by more than 75 artists; Framers Market (1301 Elm St.), which hosts the opening reception for "Water Works," highlighting water-inspired art; Art on the Wall at City Hall (One City Hall Plaza), which contains art by 98 artists; Studio 550 (550 Elm St.) which houses "Take Another Look;" and Studio-verne (81 Hanover St.), the newest gallery on the block, which will feature a live dem-



Manchester Open Doors occurs Thursday, July 24, from 5 to 8 p.m., in downtown Manchester. Courtesy photo.

onstration showing how glass is transformed into fine art. The Hanover Street spot will also showcase fused glass artworks by Verne Orlosk (owner) and apprentices Laura Foster-Bobroff and Cheryl Moore. (Freebie alert: the gallery is offering up free fused glass gems as gifts.) You can learn more by visiting opendoorsmanchester.com, by visiting the Open Doors Trolley Night Facebook page or by calling the Majestic Theatre at 669-7469.

• **Dreams do come true!** After years of deliberation, the Vivian's Dream mural dedication occurs on Sunday, July 20, at 1:30 p.m., at the TD Bank parking lot on Main and West Pearl streets in Nashua. The mural features a 19th-century picture of the Tremont Hotel, and it was painted by Nashua mural artist Barbara Andrews. The plan has been in the works for ages; visit cityartsnashua.org for details on how it came to be. Mayor Donnalee Lozeau will lead the public dedication at 1:30 p.m., and then there will be music by the Inside Track Barber Shop Quartet and Monument Square Brass. Period hats and attire are welcome.

— Kelly Sennott

Carr, Thomas Glover and Melissa Anne Miller through Aug. 31, reception Fri., July 18, 5-7 p.m., at McGowan Fine Art, 10 Hills Ave., Concord. Call 225-2515, visit mcgowanfineart.com.

• **"RETREAT"** on view now through Aug. 10 at The Studio, 550 Canal St., Laconia. Featuring work by artist Linda Basha Brookshire.

• **"WATER WORKS"** at Framers Market, 1301 Elm St., Manchester, on view July 24 through Aug. 30. Reception in conjunction with Manchester Open Doors, Thurs., July 24, 5-8 p.m. Call 668-6989, visit framersmarketnh.com. Featuring work by 15 artists in various media.

• **"OUR WORK"** exhibition at East Colony Fine ART, 55 S. Commercial St., Manchester, 621-7400, eastcolony.com, on view July 1 through July 26, featuring stoneware by Bob Roy and oil paintings by Rick Dickinson. Reception Thurs., July 24, 5-8 p.m.

• **"TAKE ANOTHER LOOK"**

exhibition at Studio 550, 550 Elm St., Manchester, through Aug. 19. Ceramics made to look like anything but clay. Reception Thurs., July 24, 5-8 p.m., part of Manchester Trolley Tour, with hands-on clay activities, light refreshments. Visit 550arts.com.

Theater

• **THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE** presented by Seacoast Repertory Theatre now through July 19, Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m., at 125 Bow St., Portsmouth. Tickets available by calling 433-4472, visiting seacoastrep.org.

• **THE BLOCK** at Andy's Summer Playhouse, 582 Isaac Frye Highway, Wilton, July 19 through July 26, tickets \$14. Showtimes Fri., July 19, at 7:30 p.m.; Sun., July 20, at 2 p.m.; Wed., July 23, at 7:30 p.m.; Thurs., July 24, at 7:30 p.m.; Fri., July 25, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sat., July 26, at 7:30 p.m. Visit andyssummerplayhouse.org.

• **SHREK: THE MUSICAL** at Prescott Park, 105 Marcy St., Portsmouth, with shows on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Aug. 24. Visit prescottpark.org/showtimes.cfm for list. No fixed admission, recommended \$5 donation at the entrance.

• **SHAKESPEARE IN PRESCOTT PARK** *The Comedy of Errors* at Prescott Park, 105 Marcy St., Portsmouth, Sundays at 3 p.m. Shows occur July 20, Aug. 3, Aug. 10 and Aug. 17. Visit 7stageshakespeare.org. Free but donation encouraged.

• **THE LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS** produced by Peterborough Players at the Peterborough Players Theatre, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, peterboroughplayers.org, 924-7585, through July 20. Tickets \$37. Call for times.

• **GUYS AND DOLLS** through July 27 at Leddy Center, 38C Ladd's Lane, Epping. Shows Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Sundays and two Wednes-

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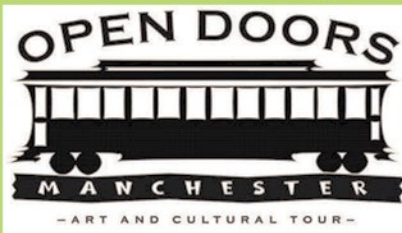
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ARTISTS

Passionate players

Traveling from afar for the New Hampshire Music Festival

By Kelly Sennott
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The Montblanc String Quartet doesn't get a great deal of rehearsal time — the four musicians live on opposite ends of the country.

Yet Julie Fox Henson (violin), Kathy Langer (violin), Bernard DiGregorio (viola) and Andrea DiGregorio (cello) still perform together every summer, and have ever since they met at the New Hampshire Music Festival 27 years ago. When it works, it works.

"The DiGregorios [who are married] come from West Virginia. Kathy is from Utah and Julie from Iowa. They play together only in New Hampshire every year for six weeks," said Brad Dumont, NHMF operations manager, in a phone interview. "Something about them being away from one another the other 46 weeks of the year makes it more exciting."

It's not unheard of, chamber musicians from across the country performing together, but it's a unique thing, Dumont said, for a quartet to brave the distances 27 years straight. Every time they play together, it's in New Hampshire.

"Here in New Hampshire is the only time you'll hear that come together," Dumont said. "I think a lot of quartets find residencies together in the same cities and then build up. It's interesting, that this group of musicians has maintained their kind of cohort for such a long period."

The Montblanc String Quartet performs as part of the 62nd New Hampshire Music Festival's 603 Music Series Friday, July 18, at 8 p.m., at the Concord Community Music School.

The music, chosen by the musicians, follows this year's theme, "The Romantic Spirit." It's comprised of Mozart's "Diverimento" in D Major, KV 136; Turina's "La oración del torero" and Mendelssohn's String Quartet in D Major, Op. 44, No. 1.

The concert is sponsored by the Lincoln Financial Foundation and meant to be a teaser for the NHMF concerts in Plymouth, which began July 8 and continue through Aug. 14.

Every year, more than 80 musicians travel to Plymouth, sometimes from across the country, to perform in the festival. All of these musicians perform in weekly orchestra concerts, and scattered between are smaller chamber events, whose musical groups are comprised of orchestral members.

New Hampshire Music Festival's 603 Series Concord concert

Where: Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St., Concord
When: Friday, July 18, at 8 p.m.
Admission: \$20
Visit: nhmf.org



Southern New Hampshire residents get a chance to hear what all the fuss is about during a New Hampshire Music Festival string quartet concert this Friday, July 18. Courtesy photo.

"It's huge. This is an orchestral organization that has been around for 62 years. It was born in the Lakes Region, and it's become absolutely critical to the culture of the community. More than 5,000 people look forward to the New Hampshire Music Festival every summer," said Deborah Leonard Kosits, the new NHMF executive director. "We're having events in Waterville Valley, in Concord, in Meredith, Plymouth. ... We have an audience who travels from all over the country, people who live here and who have second homes here."

Full orchestral performances occur Thursdays and Saturdays, and chamber performances are on Tuesday nights. Each week has a theme; Week 1 was "The German Romantic;" Week 2, "A Musical Cornucopia;" Week 3, "Composer Portrait: Nathaniel Stookey;" Week 4, "The Russian Soul;" Week 5, "Verdi's Requiem;" and Week 6, "Latin Love."

It is, needless to say, no small feat, organizing the six-week series of events every year, particularly one that's been going through major changes as of late; Donato Cabrera is in just his second year as NHMF music director, taking experience from working as the resident conductor of the San Francisco Symphony, music director of the Las Vegas Philharmonic Orchestra and California Symphony.

Every year, audiences want to see something new, different and exciting, which means collaboration behind the scenes and creativity in developing new programming. (This year, for example, there's a family-friendly concert July 24 in Plymouth, called "The Composer is Dead." It contains a murder mystery theme.)

Putting it all together requires passion.

"We have to be inspired to play the music with passion, and then audiences, no matter where they are, will love it," Cabrera said.

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BATTLE IT OUT: SPLASH CANVAS

One way to make painting more interactive is to have artists compete and perform live. Positive Street Art, Leadership Greater Nashua and the Downtown Art Movement have joined forces for a series of painting spectacles, Our City: Live Art Battle. Nashua and Merrimack have already had their preliminary events, in which four artists create a unique piece of art within the allotted 90-minute limit. They're given three mediums to work

with — sugar cane spray paint, acrylic paint and paint markers (which consequently don't give off foul odors for painting inside). Within each round, two painters go on, judged by audiences roars.

The Nashua preliminary occurred May 17 and featured winners Brian Hubert and Adam Chouinard; the Merrimack one took place on June 14 during Rock'n Rib-Fest, with winners Nathan Theriault and Brand Rockwell. The next event is in Manchester at Milly's Tavern (500 N. Commercial St., Manchester) on Sunday, July 20, from 5 to 10 p.m.

While the four artists compete on stage (two at a time, so three hours total), the arena will also be speckled with tiny exhibits with art by local artists (photography, pottery, paint, etc.) and performances PSA dance groups, local poetry slammers and music in between.

The final preliminary event in the competition is in Lowell, Mass., on Aug. 2, part of the city's First Thursday event, at the NPS Visitor Center courtyard.

The top eight finalists from each round will go head-to-head on Sunday, Sept. 7, on the Nashua Riverfront, part of the Downtown Arts Fest. The winner, in addition to the title, will take home \$1,000, second place \$500 and third, \$250. When the event is through, the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St., Manchester) will showcase the results Oct. 4 through Nov. 17, which will also be part of a Currier After Hours event this fall.

Ultimately, said Lisa Krueger of LGA, the event is to be a fundraiser for the community organizations.

"We were really inspired by the different arts organizations in Nashua. It's unfortunate how little funding and little awareness there is about the arts community in Nashua, and so we wanted to help do something to bring awareness of this community. There's a lot of traditional art in the area, and we thought it would be nice to do an event with urban art," Krueger said in a phone interview. "The mission of PSA is to remove negative connotation behind urban art. ... It's interesting to see people from all art backgrounds, who are not necessarily urban art connoisseurs, really embracing it."

Visit positivestreetart.org/liveartbattle. Studio Mark Emile photo.

days at 2 p.m. Tickets \$18. Visit leddycenter.org, call 679-2781.

• **THE WIZARD OF OZ** at the Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester, Thurs., July 17, at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$8. Call 668-5588.

• **THE GLASS MENAGERIE** by Tennessee Williams, July 15-19, produced by Barnstormers' Theatre, 104 Main St., Tamworth, shows Tuesday-Saturday evenings with Saturday matinee, tickets \$10-\$32. Visit barnstormerstheatre.org, call 323-8500 for specific times.

• **LEGALLY BLONDE JR.** by the Nashua Teen Actorsingers at Court St., Theatre, 14 Court St., Nashua, Fri., July 18, at 8 p.m.; Sat., July 19, at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., July 20, at 2 p.m. Tickets \$12-\$15. Visit actorsingers.org.

• **THE MYTH OF THE FATHER** at The Players' Ring, 105 Marcy St., Portsmouth, on Fri., July 18, at 10 p.m.; Sat.,

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• **CINDERELLA** presented by RB productions at Capitol Center for the Arts, 44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com, on Fri., July 18, at 7 p.m., and Sat., July 19, at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets \$12.

• **CABARET** presented by the Majestic Theatre at the Manchester Community Music School's Holy Cross Hall, 2291 Elm St., Manchester, Fri., July 18, at 7 p.m.; Sat., July 19, at 7 p.m.; Sun., July 20, at 2 p.m.; Fri., July 25, at 7 p.m.; Sat., July 26, at 7 p.m.; and Sun., July 27, at 2 p.m. Tickets \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors. Call 669-7469, visit majestictheatre.net.

• **ONE MAN, TWO GUVNORS** by Richard Bean, July 22-26, produced by Barnstormers' Theatre, 104 Main St., Tamworth, shows Tuesday-Saturday

evenings with Saturday matinee, tickets \$10-\$32. Visit barnstormerstheatre.org, call 323-8500 for specific times.

• **YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAYWRIGHT FESTIVAL** Wed., July 23, at 6:30 p.m., at Jewish Federation, 698 Beech St., Manchester, produced by Theatre Under the Stars. Admission pay-what-you-can, suggested \$5 donation. Visit shakespeareinthevalley.com.

• **THE GRANITE STATE** by Peterborough Players July 23, through Aug. 3, at the Peterborough Players Theatre, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, peterboroughplayers.org, 924-7585. Tickets \$37-39.

• **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF JR.** at Capitol Center for the Arts, 44 S. Main St., Concord, Fri., July 25, at 7 p.m.; Sat., July 26, at 2 and 7 p.m. Call 225-1111, visit ccanh.com. Tickets \$12.

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Notes from the theater scene

• **Multimedia storytelling:** Andy's Summer Playhouse, a nonprofit children's theater group, presents the second installment of its summer season this weekend, July 19 through July 26, at the playhouse, 582 Isaac Frye Highway, Wilton. The play is *The Block*, a new theatrical work by Jared Mezzocchi. It's about a young girl named Eleanor facing writer's block, and it's told with the help of text, movement, video and projection screens. Andy's alum Mezzocchi, a recipient of the Princess Grace Theater Award and founder of the Projection Design Curriculum at the University of Maryland, also recently presented a TEDx talk that focused on the use of multimedia in storytelling, and was the director of last year's *The Little Prince* and 2012's *The BFG*. Performances occur Saturday, July 19, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, July 20, at 2 p.m.; Wednesday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, July 24, at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, July 25, at 7:30 p.m.; and Saturday, July 26, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$14. Visit andyssummerplayhouse.org or call 654-2613.

• **Come on in!** Open Door Theatre at New England College presents William Shakespeare's *King Lear* on Friday, July 18, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, July 19, at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, July 20, at 2:30 p.m., at the Mainstage Theatre, 58 Depot Hill Road, Henniker. To bring you up to speed on your Shakespeare: *King Lear* decides to step down from the throne and divide his kingdom between his three daughters, which, to say the least, doesn't go as smoothly as one might hope. This is a



The cast of *The Block*, produced by Andy's Summer Playhouse. Courtesy photo.

modern dress production, as described in the press release, in NEC's Open Door Theatre's tradition of making classic plays accessible and relevant to 21st-century audiences. Tickets are \$12, \$10 for students, seniors and the NEC community. Call 428-2382 or email nectheatre@nec.edu.

• **Calling all vets with stories:** Nashua writer Lowell Williams and Donald Tongue of Derry are working to bring real stories to the stage this Veterans Day. *The Veterans Project* will tell the stories of real veterans in New Hampshire communities, with a combination of taped interviews and live actors onstage.

"What's unique about this idea is that we're bringing the stories directly to those communities for one-night-only shows. The point is to celebrate the service of your neighbors with stories you've never heard of," Williams said in a press release. Shows will occur throughout the state, and productions will be the weekend leading up to Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Proceeds will benefit local veterans charities. The writers are looking for veterans' with stories to share; email veterans@newtheaterworks.com or visit newtheaterworks.com.

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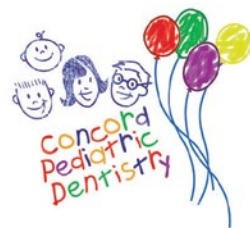
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• **8 TRACK: SOUNDS OF THE '70s** at the Seacoast Repertory Theatre, 125 Bow St., Portsmouth, July 25 through Aug. 30. Tickets start at \$25. Call 433-4472, visit seacoastrep.org for times.

• **WEST SIDE STORY** Fri., July 25, at 7 p.m.; Sat., July 26, at 1 and 7 p.m.; Sun., July 27, at 1 p.m., at Derry Opera House, 29 W. Broadway, Derry, \$12.

• **AS YOU LIKE IT** performed by Nashua Theatre Guild, part of its 21st Annual Shakespeare in the Park production, Sat., July 26, at 2 p.m.; Sun., July 27, at 2 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 2, at 2 p.m.; and Sun., Aug. 3, at 2 p.m. Free event. Bring something to sit on, sunscreen, lunch. Call 880-0243, visit Nashua Theatre Guild's Facebook page.

• **PETER PAN** at the Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester, 668-5588, Tues., July 29, at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; on Wed., July 30, at 10 a.m.; and Thurs., July 31, at 10 a.m. and

6:30 p.m. Tickets \$8. Visit palacetheatre.org.

Classical

• **TD BANK FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES** in Manchester occurs every Thursday evening. Manchuka, 10-piece band, is July 17. Visit intown-manchester.com.

• **NEW HAMPSHIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA SERIES** at Hanaway Theatre, Silver Center for the Arts, 114 Main St., Plymouth. Visit nhmf.org. *A Musical Cornucopia* Thurs., July 17, at 8 p.m.

• **NASHUA LIBRARY OUT-DOOR CONCERTS** at 2 Court St., Nashua, nashualibrary.org, 589-4610, free and open to public. Yaron Israel's jazz quartet performs Thurs., July 17, at 7 p.m.

• **NEW HAMPSHIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL** 603 Series includes a concert Fri., July 18, at 8 p.m., at Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St., Concord,

featuring Montblanc Quartet. Concert attendees encouraged to stop by Common Man, 25 Water St., Concord, before show; anyone seated by 6 p.m. receives buy one, get one 50 percent off offer on any entree. Visit nhmf.org, call 535-2787. Tickets \$20.

• **WINDHAM CONCERT BAND** performs Sun., July 20, 6-7:30 p.m., at Searles School and Chapel (35 Range Road, Windham).

• **SUMMER SIZZLE FESTIVAL** Sun., July 20, noon-4 p.m., at North Main Music, 28 Charaton Ave., Nashua, featuring live entertainment by North Main Music's student bands, face painting, bounce house, food, raffle. Free, rain or shine. Call 505-4282, visit northmainmusic.com.

• **AMOSKEAG STRUMMERS** perform at Greeley Park Bandshell, 100 Concord St., Nashua, Mon., July 21, at 7 p.m. Free admission. Call 589-3370, visit gonashua.com.

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INSIDE/OUTSIDE

Market Days goes back to the beginning

Downtown Concord celebrates like it's 1974

By Austin Sorette
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To celebrate four decades of Market Days, the downtown Concord event is being sent back in time to the era of afros, bellbottoms and disco.

Liza Poinier, operations manager with Intown Concord, said this year's Market Days, happening Thursday, July 17, through Saturday, July 19, will host festive activities to celebrate its '70s roots, including a '70s scavenger hunt, which will send participants into various shops and restaurants around the downtown area looking for "'70s type objects" (expect an 8-track to be on the list). Attendees are also encouraged to dress in '70s-style clothing, which Poinier said is what she's most excited for.

"This will be fun for anybody who wants to dress up," she said. "I, of course, will be digging out some bellbottoms."

Another new addition to the festival this year will be a custom mini-golf course in the City Plaza. A dozen golf holes have been constructed by different businesses, including the Rotary Club of Concord, Merrimack County Savings Bank, and SMP architecture, which presented Intown Concord with the idea.

And then there are the attractions that have made the event an annual classic. Along with the enormous array of street vendors, face painters, craft brews stands and food trucks, the third annual Truck Pull (sponsored by the Concord Public Safety Foundation to raise funds for its K-9 unit) will have teams



Kids will be takin' it to the streets during this year's Market Days in Concord. Courtesy photo.

of 10 pulling one of the city's 45,000-pound fire trucks.

"It's really fun to watch. There's a big crowd to cheer on the team," Poinier said. "Last year and the year before that, there was a team of all women called 'Women on fire.' They were so strong and fantastic ... and marvelously costumed."

Poinier said live music is one of the biggest draws to Market Days. Performances will take place all over downtown: Eagle Square will be featuring headliners The Axis Band and Day Janeiro, and Bicentennial Square will be hosting a handful of local bands, as well as The Shardz, HOLMES, and The Dusty Gray

Band (see page 64 for a more in-depth look at Market Days music).

"No matter where you go, there's tons of stuff to eat and to buy. All of Main Street is open for business so people can see all the neat shops we have. I think that's the main reason we have this is to bring people downtown to show off our amazing community right here in the heart of the capital city," Poinier said.

Though the Market Days festival in Concord is going "over the hill" this year with its 40th anniversary, Poinier says that the festival plans to keep pushing itself "over the top."

"One challenge — I wouldn't even

call it a challenge, exactly — is that we're always trying to make [the festival] better every year and make sure we put on a phenomenal show," said Poinier. "There's a lot to do between now and the start of the festival, but we're getting it done, and it's going to be a heck of show." 🍌

Market Days

Where: Downtown, Main Street, Concord

When: Thursday, July 17, through Saturday, July 19, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Cost: Free

Visit intownconcord.com

Email: liza@intownconcord.org

Correction

The article "Moneyball" in the July 10 issue of the Hippo incorrectly stated the affiliation of the Nashua Silver Knights. The Silver Knights are part of a summer collegiate league that is under day-to-day management and supervision of the Lowell Spinners Professional Baseball Club, in which players have the opportunity of being scouted and potentially drafted by the majors. The Lowell Spinners (and not, as was reported, the Nashua Silver Knights) is the Red Sox single-A affiliate team.

Health and Wellness

Workshops, seminars & events

• **ADRENAL FATIGUE: WHAT IS IT & WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO PREVENT IT** on Thurs., July 17, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Concord Food Co-op (52 Newport Road, New London, 526-6650, concordfoodcoop.coop/new-londonclasses). Learn about the adrenal gland. Free. Registration is required.

• **HEALTH & WELLNESS SEMINAR** at Nesmith Library (8 Fellows Road, Windham, 432-7154, swilliams@nesmithlibrary.org) on Tues., July 22, at 6:30 p.m. Hear about the health topics currently in the news and get a taste of the latest food and health trends, including an overview of non-GMOs, inflam-

mation, probiotics, how gluten affects the body, and more. The event is free and open to the public.

• **NATURAL REMEDIES & GREEN LIVING WITH ESSENTIAL OILS** at Jeca Yoga (55 S. Commercial St., Suite 204, Manchester, jecayoga.com/events), on Thurs., July 24, from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Learn about natural methods of air purification, first aid, neutralizing odors, relaxation and more. A \$5 cash donation will go to Manchester Animal Shelter.

• **JOINT REPLACEMENT EDUCATION CLASS** at St. Joseph Hospital (172 Kinsley St., Nashua, 595-3168, stjosephhospital.com/classes) on Thurs., July 24 and Aug. 28, from 3:15 to 4:15

p.m. Learn about procedures and their benefits.

• **DEBUNKING OLD WIVES' TALES** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4600), on Tues., July 29, at 7 p.m. Learn the truth and fiction behind several myths including the dangers of holding in a sneeze and the relationship between cracking your knuckles and arthritis. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit nashualibrary.org.

Misc.

Bake/yard sales/fundraisers/auctions

• **FAMILY YARD SALE** on Sat., July 19, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Unit-

ed Methodist Church (154 Main St., Nashua, 882-3361, mainstreet.umc.org). Families can check out furniture, electronics, household items, baked goods and more. Admission is free.

• **TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE** at Hopkinton High School (297 Park Ave., Contoocook, 746-4167) on Sat., July 26, and Sun., July 27, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participants can set up tables or blankets for one or both days. The cost is \$10 per day and includes a 10x10 space. Pre-registration is required.

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Fantasy land

Nashua Parks and Rec brings fantasies to life



Fairy tale characters at Nashua's annual SummerFun Festival. Courtesy photo.

By Austin Sorette
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On Saturday, July 19, Greeley Park in Nashua will be overrun with princes, princesses and other fairy tale characters — including, perhaps, an evil stepmother and a handful of dwarves — for an afternoon of performance art and music.

The theme for this year's SummerFun Fairy Tale Festival is "Snow White," and children are encouraged to dress up to fit in with the theme.

"We try to keep it different every year," said Tom Dwayne, the program director for the Nashua Parks and Recreation Department, which has hosted the event for more than 10 years. "We change the theme to keep things fresh and keep the kids' imagination going."

In years previous, the themes have been based on other fairy tales and fantasy literature, like superheroes and sea travellers. One year was even based on Jules Verne's *Around the World in 80 Days*. Dwayne said the festival is not only supposed to stimulate kids' imaginations but also encourage literacy.

"We give free books out to anyone who comes," he said. "We ordered several hundred books, so any kid who comes gets a

free book."

The festival kicks off with Mayor Donalee Lozeau welcoming all the princes and princesses to the festivities, followed by a special fairy tale reading. The event then opens up to a large bandshell designed like an enchanted forest. The bandshell will host performers such as Judy Pancoast, who fuses a fantasy routine into her musical performances, as well as dance groups, children's safety groups and a puppet show. Dwayne says that this year, Parks and Rec is bringing in giant games that allow children to become life-sized figures in real board games like checkers.

Surrounding the stage will be 40 different types of vendors providing various other kid-friendly activities like bounce-houses, caricaturists, face-painting, food and other games.

"We're also hosting a fairy art school, where kids can go in and decorate their own wings or shields or crowns," said Dwayne.

Dwayne said the festival is important to the city because it provides an entertaining alternative for kids that doesn't require parents to spend any money.

"The city had [events like this that] started in the mid-'70s, when gas shortages made it hard for people to leave to go to the beach or the amusement parks," he said. "These events survived so people could stay in Nashua to have fun and not travel far. Today, with this economy, we've seen a resurgence of a lot of [these] activities. They're all about having a good day at the park with their family that is at no cost to them."

Summer Fun Fairy Tale Festival

When: Saturday, July 19, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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• **COLONIAL NEW HAMPSHIRE** at the Historic Town Hall (10 Church St., Deerfield, 463-1098, hbfarm.hoague@gmail.com) on Sun., July 20, at 2 p.m. Retired Dartmouth College history professor Jere Daniell will explore the colonial history of New Hampshire, with

an in-depth focus on Deerfield. The event is free and open to the public.
• **HOW TO AVOID PROBATE** at Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis, 465-7721, hollislibrary.org) on Wed., July 23, at 7 p.m. Attorney Donald H. Sienkiewicz explores

KIDDIE — POOL —

Family fun for the weekend

Woods to worlds

Everyone faces a “worst-case scenario” situation. Why not be prepared? Back for another year, the McLane Audubon Center (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord, 224-9909) is hosting its **survival session** “Wilderness Ways” from Monday, July 21, through Thursday, July 31, starting at 9 a.m. each day. Explore similar survival techniques of plants and other animals. Learn about building a fire and maintaining a shelter in the middle of the woods, and embark on several adventures that will teach campers how to avoid getting lost as well as informing them how to find their way back if they do. There are camps for ages 4-5, 6-9, and 10-12. Visit nhaudubon.org for details and prices.

Getting to know more about space and other planets is always an “out of this world” experience. To coincide with the science theme for its summer reading programs, Derry Public Library (64 E. Broadway, Derry, 432-6140, derrypub.org) is hosting a space-related event called **What’s Up in Tonight’s Sky** on Monday, July 21, at 6:30 p.m. The library will be hosting experienced amateur astronomers from the New Hampshire Astronomical Society to answer questions about any subject having to do with astronomy. The astronomers explore the wonders of outer space including the planets, constellations, double stars, star clusters, nebulae and galaxies visible in the early evening sky this time of year.

The night following the presentation, participants can go outside and see outer space for themselves during the **skywatch** portion of the presentation on Tuesday, July 22, at 8:30 p.m. The NHAS donated a telescope to the library, which they will take over to the Derry Conservation Commission property on Broadview Farm. The event is weather permitting.

Dance the day away

Move to the melody of the Two Fiddles at a **traditional barn dancing** event in the parking lot of UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-4101, manchester.unh.edu) on Thursday, July 17, at 10 a.m. Musicians and National Heritage Fellowship winner Dudley Laufman and his wife Jacqueline will teach children and teens about history of traditional barn dancing for the first part of the event, followed by demonstrations of the different styles of barn dancing, including couples dancing, reels and line dancing. The event is free and open to the public.

To be, or not to be...

UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-4101, manchester.unh.edu) is also hosting a performance of *The*



Nightingale at the college on Tuesday, July 22, at 10 a.m. UNH’s own Little Red Wagon theater troupe will be reimagining Hans Christian Andersen’s 1843 classic. Through movement and music, the show tells a story of an emperor who neglects the beauty of his faithful, real nightingale in favor of a jeweled, mechanical nightingale. The event is free and recommended for kids in pre-k through grade 4.

The puppets are in town! Taking over the Merrimack Public Library (470 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, 424-5021, merrimack.lib.nh.us) are **Lindsay and her Puppet Pals** on Tuesday, July 22, at 6:30 p.m. Watch her giant hand puppets and marionettes create a silly show appropriate for kids of all ages, with plenty of crowd participation and imaginative characters. The charming and positive short stories will delight puppet enthusiasts of all ages. The show is free and open to the public.

A story of power and triumph is coming back to conquer the stage. Come see the tale of *Excalibur* performed live by Jean’s Playhouse Theatre Company at The Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) on Tuesday, July 22, at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Throughout the summer, the five professional children’s theater actors bring popular folk and fairy tales to life for a 30-minute set. After the show, children can meet the characters for a cast meet-and-greet and autograph signing. The show is recommended for children ages 3 and up. Visit the website for more information and ticket prices.

Sports stuff

Girls who are interested in coming out to whack a few balls over at Beaver Meadow Golf Course (1 Beaver Meadow Road, Concord, 228-8954, beavermeadowgolfcourse.com) should sign up for the **girls-only lessons** being offered Tuesday, July 22, through Friday, July 25, from 10 to 11 a.m. Each day, PGA pro Julie Donlon will teach students a new aspect of the game, whether it be driving the ball down the fairway, polishing the short game, mastering the art of putting or explaining the ethics of the sport itself. You don’t have to be a pro to sign up; even beginners are welcome! The cost is \$50 per person and the class is open to girls 14 to 17 years old.

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Under the trees

Plants that thrive in the shade

By Henry Homeyer

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I grew up in a small town in rural Connecticut. Behind the house there was a brook and a hardwood forest with a high canopy of old maples that created a cool space for spending hot summer days. My favorite understory tree was a small, bushy tree that had very fragrant leaves and stems, which I decided must be witch hazel, as the barber splashed witch hazel on my neck after each haircut, and it was vaguely the same. I chewed on the leaves and green twigs in lieu of the chewing gum I was forbidden to have.

This summer I discovered the name of that plant: spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*). One of my gardening clients had requested one for her garden, and as soon as I crushed a leaf, I was transported back 60 years. I knew it immediately. Most winters in my part of New Hampshire drop to minus 25 degrees, so any plant that will survive here must be rated for Zone 4 (-20 to -30). I checked my favorite tree book (Michael Dirr's *Manual of Woody Landscape Plants*), and sure enough, spicebush is rated for Zone 4. I will get my own as soon as I find the right place on my property to plant it.

From Dirr's book I learned that spicebush can get to be up to 12 feet tall and wide, and is in the laurel family. There are 80 species of *Lindera*, both deciduous and evergreen (*L. benzoin* is deciduous). Apparently it blooms in early spring but the yellow blossoms are only one fifth of an inch across, so not overwhelming (I have no memory of it blooming). Fall leaf color is yellow. Dirr's book says it does well in moist, well drained soils in full sun or half shade, though in my experience it will do well in dry shade in open woodlands. Dirr says spicebush is not often found in nurseries, but E.C. Brown's Nursery in Thetford, Vt., has several nice ones.

Another woodland plant that I would like to try is leatherwood (*Dirca palustris*). Like spicebush, this is a native shrub that will grow in shady areas, but this one prefers moist to wet soil — and I have plenty of that. Apparently it only gets to be 3 to 6 feet tall and wide and is more open and spreading in shade than in sun. It has small yellow flowers that bloom very early in the spring, well before the leaves emerge. Native Americans used the bark to make bow strings and fish lines and in the manufacture of baskets. Three years ago I planted a sweetshrub or Carolina allspice (*Calycanthus florida*). The first two years I grew it in full sun with deep, rich moist soil. Both years the leaves yellowed, as if the sun were too strong and bleached them out. So last fall I moved it into a grove of old wild apples that provide



Calycanthus or sweetshrub. Photo by Henry Homeyer.

full shade, and it seems to be doing much better. It is blooming now and has put on considerable new growth.

Sweetshrub grows to be 6 to 9 feet tall with a 6- to 12-foot spread. Some varieties have very fragrant flowers, but mine is not. Dirr's book suggests buying the shrub when it is in bloom in early summer, as the fragrance varies from plant to plant. It is adaptable to acid or alkaline soils, and is hardy to Zone 4.

Mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) is another fabulous shrub that will grow in deep shade (or even full sun), and I have grown it these past 20 years or so, even though I am on the northern edge of where it is successful. Mine produces delicate three-quarter inch diameter flowers, cups of white with pink veins. After cold winters I don't always get flowers. There are cultivars with flowers in white to rose, and everything in between. Definitely buy when blooming. It does best in acidic soil that is cool and lightly moist. I have seen it growing abundantly in the wild at Sleeping Giant State Park in Hamden, Connecticut, where there is a high, dry, open hardwood forest.

Of all the shade-growing woody plants, the most dramatic on my property is the climbing hydrangea (*Hydrangea anomala subsp. petiolaris*). I have vines that completely cover the north side of my barn that only get a few hours of sun each day. It is in bloom now, with flower corymbs (flat-topped inflorescences) that have both fertile and sterile (showy) blossoms and are 6 to 10 inches across.

Climbing hydrangea is slow to get established — mine took six years — but once it begins to grow, it quickly covers a surface. It will attach itself to stone or brick, but needs to be strapped onto wood surfaces, at least at first. Mine has grown through the cracks on the barn and is now self-supporting. Its vines can grow 60 feet or more, and has support arms for its flowers that reach straight out from the barn that are up to 3 feet long. It is truly dramatic.

Henry Homeyer is the author of four gardening books. His website is Gardening-Guy.com. 🍷



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Hubby's hands-free driving is definitely not safe



Dear Tom and Ray:

My husband, who has not had an accident in the 20 years I've known him, drives in a way that makes me nervous. Specifically, I feel like I am in a video game when I sit in the front seat with him. Images of cars, people, trees, etc., appear to fly in my face as he drives up to cars really quickly and then around them just as quickly. With great effort, I have stopped screaming in terror and hiding my face in my hands when I ride with him, because honestly, he has never had an accident, so maybe it is some perspective problem that I have. Mostly, I try to keep my eyes squeezed shut. However, sometimes I open them, and this is when I notice that

he does not hold the steering wheel when he drives. I told him I thought that wasn't safe, but he said he has always done it that way and it is fine. He agreed to consider stopping if I found evidence that it is dangerous. But of course I could not, just as you cannot find evidence that it is important to be conscious while driving, because there are few statistics on this. To be fair, he does hold the steering wheel sometimes. And sometimes he will use his knee. Other times, he will lightly rest a finger on the wheel to help guide the car. He has always loved you guys, and listens to your radio show and reads your column. Is there anything you can do to help? We have two children, ages 11 and 13, who ride in the back seat, and I am seriously thinking of joining them. Is he right, that all this is safe? — Maria

RAY: No — he's a nut bag, Maria. And the fact that he listens to our show and reads our column only confirms that.

TOM: Of course it's not safe to let go of the steering wheel, or to drive with your knees. Why do you think you so rarely hear driving instructors say, "Keep your knees at 10 and 2 on the steering wheel"?

RAY: The reason is that stuff happens, and it happens quickly. You're driving along, and a dog runs into the road. Or a king-size

Sealy Posturepedic mattress goes flying off the roof of the station wagon in front of you. It's in those situations — when you need to change the direction of the car instantly — that your hands are far better at moving the steering wheel than your knees are.

TOM: Racing up to a car in front of him before passing it also is highly dumb for the same reason. You're going 70 or 80 mph, and the car in front of you is going 15 or 20 mph slower than that. If that car should suddenly stop, because a car in front of him stops, or a truck loses a tire, there's no way Hubby will be able to stop in time.

RAY: Can he get away with driving like this for some period of time without having an accident? Obviously, he has. But at some point, his luck will run out.

TOM: You say he hasn't had an accident in 20 years. I wonder how many "Holy crow!" moments he's had with close calls. Or how many accidents or near-accidents he's caused by driving so aggressively.

RAY: So here's the deal: You tell him that until he shapes up and drives more safely, you and the kids will be riding in the back. And wearing crash helmets and football pads.

TOM: And screaming in terror. RAY: I hope it works, Maria. If not, stop driving with him, and take out a good life-insurance policy.

Dear Tom and Ray:

What are your thoughts on buying a car from a rental agency? Would you? — Byr

RAY: Sure. Rental-car companies sell relatively new cars and maintain them pretty well. After all, if anything's broken, it has to be fixed before the next customer rents it.

TOM: And ... you often have years of warranty coverage left.

RAY: Used cars from rental companies used to be a great deal, because they'd keep them only for about six months, then turn them over for new ones. Now they keep them longer than that, but they're still almost-new cars.

TOM: The only exception I'd make is for "specialty" cars. There are some rental companies that rent Camaros and Porsches, for people who want to drive one for a day or a weekend. I wouldn't buy a car like that from a rental company.

RAY: Why? Because if you rent a Porsche for 24 hours, what are you going to do? You're going to drive it like an animal. So, cars like that have the potential to have been abused or driven very hard by renters.

TOM: But if you're buying a family car — a Camry, Fusion, Altima, Focus, Civic — it's unlikely that anyone drove it abusively.

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Grenier Field revisited

Pilots return to former Air Force base

By Austin Sorette
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At 91 years old, Bob Fortnam can still vividly recall his time as a pilot during World War II. He also remembers flying out of Grenier Air Force Base in Manchester in the 1950s and '60s — and it was from there that he really got to see the world.

"The world is 360 degrees, and I've been around 300 of them," he said. "I've been as far east as Vietnam and as far west as Iran."

Fortnam may be one of the few living pilots left who have flown out of the airfield, which was known as Grenier Field between 1940 and 1966. The Aviation Museum of New Hampshire is hoping to find the rest of those pilots at the Grenier Field Homecoming event on Saturday, July 19.

"The event began as a way to welcome people who [had] served during the Grenier Field days back to the base," said Jessica Pappathan, the executive director at the museum. "There's been a lot of interest in the history, life during the period, what the barracks look like."

The older generation can congregate and swap stories of their experiences on the base during military occupation, Pappathan said, while simultaneously providing a first-hand history lesson for visitors who only know the grounds as they are now — home of the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport.

The history of the airfield dates back to the 1920s, but the event will focus on the time between 1940 and 1966, when the United States Air Force assumed control of the base. When researching the airfield for his book, *Manchester Airports: Flying Through Time*, Ed Brouder found that the base was used as the last checkpoint for military planes, such as B-17, B-24, and B-25 bombers, to land in the United States before taking off to Europe and North Africa during World War II.

"It was originally built by the city as a municipal airfield. But in late 1940, the U.S. War Department took over. Commercial airlines were no longer allowed to use the airport," said Brouder, an author and former radio broadcaster. "For a lot of people around the country, Grenier was the last place they would step on American soil before getting deployed."

Brouder, along with the co-author of the

Grenier Field Homecoming Event

Where: Aviation Museum of New Hampshire, 27 Navigator Road, Manchester

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History takes off at Grenier Field in Manchester. Courtesy photo.

book, Maurice Quirin, will host a guided bus tour around the airfield. According to Brouder, when the armed forces moved its base over to Pease Airport and Grenier adopted the commercial planes again, many of the sites had been removed.

"If a guy came back [to Grenier] who was assigned to fly during the Korean War, he would barely recognize the airfield because it's changed so much," he said. "As far as we know, there is only one military building still there, and it's a storage shed. It's even still got the [identification marker] 'T-457' on it."

Following the bus tour, the Aviation Museum will offer a final tour of the New Boston Air Force Tracking Station. The tour will take participants to remnants of important sites, including the practice bombing target in Joe English Hill Pond, the Practice Strafing Field, and, depending on the weather, a hike to Cpt. Elmer V. Kramer's P-51 crash site.

The museum has collected several things from the Grenier days, including WWII memorabilia, patches and badges; parachutes that pilots used in the 1940s; and historic vehicles.

A presentation of John Grenier will give participants a history of the man behind the name. Brouder said that when the military took over the airport, they asked the city to give them a name of someone local whom they could commemorate.

"The city gave them two names," said Brouder. "One was the former mayor Arthur E. Moreau, who was in office when the base was built. The other was Jean Grenier, who was a native to the West Side. He was dead long before WWII. He was actually a military pilot who died in 1934 when his plane went down in Utah while delivering U.S. airmail."

Fortnam grabs a manila envelope and slowly pulls out photographs he "ran across recently" of his younger days as a pilot. The photos are in surprisingly good shape, considering that some were taken almost 70 years ago. The last is one of him swearing his oldest son in to the Air Force in 1966, the year the military moved from Grenier to Pease.

"I taught all my boys to fly, my three boys," he said. "We've got a history of pilots that's gonna go a long way." 🍌

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Astronomy

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A community affair

Stratham Fair a seacoast summertime tradition

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As it enters its 47th year, it's safe to say that the Stratham Fair is a staple of seacoast summertime festivities. The event, which will be held from Thursday, July 17, through Sunday, July 20, is one of New England's longest-running annual county fairs.

The fair wasn't always such a grand occasion, however. John Hutton, owner of Coppal House Farm in Lee, N.H., and long-time organizer of the fair's horse- and oxen-pulling events, can remember the fair's earliest years.

"The Stratham Fair basically started with a lobster bake and a horse pull," Hutton said. "[It] had some pretty humble beginnings."

The first Stratham Fair was held in 1966 as a community party to commemorate the town's 250th anniversary. Nearly half a century later, the party hasn't stopped.

"[The community] had such a good time that they decided they were going to do this every year," said Vicky Avery, one of the fair's directors.

Hutton's family has been a part of the fair since its early years. His father started the fair's horse-pulling competitions, and Hutton took over his role in the 1980s, he said. He has been in charge of the events ever since.

"It's tradition for me," Hutton said. "This is the fair we helped start, and we're a part of."

Since 1966, the fair has grown into something much larger — a full-blown festival with live musical entertainment, local food and beer, carnival rides and more.

According to Avery, the Stratham volunteer firefighters have played a key role in the fair since it started. In its first year, the fair featured a firemen's muster, she said, and since then the fire department has been an integral part of getting the fair up and running each year. It's a process that requires a lot of hard work. Unlike other local fairs, the Stratham Fair has no true fairground. Each year, volunteers convert Stratham Hill Park for one weekend.

"We come in the week before and transform that park into a fairgrounds, which requires a big group of volunteers," Avery said. "All the volunteers are either fire department members or supporters."

The fair's long-standing relationship with



The horse pull is a tradition at the Stratham Fair. Photo courtesy of Annemarie Saunders Peck Photography.

the Stratham community's firefighters goes beyond working together to run the fair, however, as proceeds benefit the fire department.

"It's a real community based event, and it's one we're all doing for the same purpose — to raise money for the firemen," Avery said. "The entrance fee is 100 percent toward the goal of raising funds for the fire department."

Once the grounds are set up and the fair is open for visitors, there will be a wealth of entertainment on hand. In addition to the more traditional fair activities, the event will also feature non-stop musical entertainment between two stages. Throughout the day on Friday, various rock musicians will take to the main stage, culminating with a performance by notable Manchester, N.H., singer Josh Logan — now well-known for his appearance on *The Voice* — at 8 p.m. Saturday is WOKQ Country Day on the main stage, and country singer Ryan Brooks Kelly will entertain with a performance at 8 p.m. that night.

"The one thing that I would go to the fair for is the entertainment," Avery said. "We have tremendous entertainment."

In addition to the headlining acts on the fair's main stage, the "front porch stage" will feature performances from over 20 musical acts throughout the fair's four-day run.

Another major attraction is the annual Miss Stratham Fair pageant, which is slated to take place on Thursday at 7 p.m. on the main stage. This year, the brand new Miss Outstanding Teen Pageant for participants ages 13 to 16 has been added to this year's list of events as well.

"It is a longtime tradition. ... We've been doing this for decades," Avery said. "The pageant is an opportunity for college-bound young women to get money to pay for college. We award over \$3,000 in scholarships."

Despite the modern attractions, Avery said traditional events like horse-pulling are still a big draw as well. Hutton said his pulling events are tradition.

"I see people now that we used to judge their grandfathers. It goes generation to generation," Hutton said.

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To stretch or not to stretch

Safely improving flexibility

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What's the first thing you do when you wake up in the morning? Most of us enjoy reaching out our arms and legs for a refreshing stretch. It feels good, and once we're on our feet, we

forget we even did it.

On the other end of things, think about how you feel at the end of a long work day, perhaps sitting at an office desk toiling away behind your computer screen. Tension in the shoulders? Sore lower back? Total body fatigue? All of the above?

When we feel flexible, there's less resting tension in our body and muscles, and it's relaxing. Less tension means our muscles work less and have better stamina, and it's easier to stay focused throughout the day and be productive. So how do we safely increase flexibility? Here are five easy ways to loosen up your muscles and reap the benefits of a relaxed body:

1. **Start with consistency.** Just like brushing your teeth, you have to stretch regularly to maintain and improve your flexibility. Aim to set aside 5 to 10 minutes daily and make it a routine.

2. **Do it right.** Stretching is as simple as flexing or extending a joint as far as it will go until you feel slight tension, holding the position until the tension reduces, then moving the joint a slight bit further and repeating the process. You should never feel pain when you stretch, and you should not see your muscles shaking or quivering. Hold the stretch, don't 'bounce' into the motion. Bouncing actually increases your chances of having an injury. A great illustrated resource is Bob Anderson's book *Stretching*.

3. **Target large muscle groups.** Your thighs, back of legs (hamstrings), calves, lower back, neck and hip flexors all become tensioned normally each day.

4. **Hold ... for 30 seconds!** When you stretch, hold each position for at least a half minute, or even better, a full minute. Research



indicates that static stretching for less than 30 seconds has very little lasting effect.

5. **Stretch when warm and limber, not before.** The best time to improve range of motion is after you have been physically active (such as at the end of the day or after a workout). Stretching cold muscles has been shown to decrease sensitivity of your nervous system and in fact increase the likelihood of a strained or pulled muscle.

If you really want to see how good being loose and limber feels, give this a try. Turn your head to the left as far as you can until you feel a stretch on your right side. Hold the position for 20 seconds, and then turn to the left a slight bit more. When the tension drops, turn a little further and repeat the process. Now look to your right as far as you can, then go back to your left. See and feel a big difference? You should be shaking your head that you've waited this long to start stretching.

Do you have a question about health and fitness that you'd like answered in The Healthy Hippo? Email Joel Bergeron at info@nlpstrength.com. Joel is a former NCAA D1 and professional sports coach and holds a master's degree in sport science. Be sure to check with your doctor before changing your eating habits or embarking on a new exercise program.

of each month from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Bring backpack and smooth paper journal and wear sturdy walking shoes; dress for the weather. Classes cost \$15.

• **NATURE WALKS** Join NH Audubon's Nashaway Chapter for morning adventure walks at Ponemah Bog in Amherst. Bring binoculars and bug spray, and wear shoes you don't mind getting wet. Free and open to the public. The entrance to the bog

is on Rhodora Drive, off Stearns Road, which runs between Boston Post Road and Route 122, just north of Route 101A in Amherst. Contact Jack Gleason at 673-3177 or jgleason10@netzero.net. Visit nhaudubon.org.

Boating/ocean

• **BOATING EDUCATION CLASSES** offered by the State Police and Marine Patrol in Concord and Windham. Com-

pletion of one of these classes is required for a license to operate a motorboat over 25 horsepower. Cost is \$30. Call 267-7256 or visit boatingeducation.nh.gov for class locations and dates.

• **LAKEFEST 2014** Endicott Rock Park (Laconia) will host a Guinness Rematch on Aug. 3 to try to get the Guinness World Record for largest free-floating raft of canoes and kayaks.

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FOOD

Wild blues

Foraging for New Hampshire blueberries

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Here in New Hampshire, you can find blueberries growing wild on mountainsides, in clearings and on granite boulders, in lowbush and highbush varieties.

"They tend to be in some beautiful places," Beaver Brook Association's Education and Community Affairs Director Celeste Philbrick Barr said. "They are very common, but they're sort of habitat specific."

Blueberries require sunshine, which is why they are commonly found growing wild on mountaintops or forest clearings. Blueberry bushes also require soil of 4.5 to 5 pH to grow. Rainwater on granite causes more acidic soil, which is why New Hampshire's mountainous areas are covered in blueberry bushes.

"Their roots are very minimal so they don't grow deep. They can grow on the big rocks on Pack Monadnock," Philbrick Barr said. "The most common people will find are the two lowbush varieties in New Hampshire. ... I have found wild highbush species too on north Pack Monadnock, and that was a treat to not have to get down on the ground."

Lowbush blueberries grow close to the ground, and highbush blueberries can be up to 10 feet high. Cultivated blueberries, like the kind that grow in the pick-your-own patch, are usually right in the middle.

The blueberry season runs mid-July through August. While you can pick a whole lot of blueberries at farms across the state, you can also try foraging for blueberries on a nature hike.

"It's really good to identify the whole



Blueberry cake

Recipe from Brookdale Fruit Farm (41 Broad St., Hollis, 465-2240, brookdale-farms.com)

½ cup butter
1 cup sugar
2 eggs, well beaten
1½ cups all-purpose flour
1 pinch salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
1½ cup fresh or frozen blueberries
½ cup milk

1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream together softened butter and sugar, then add the eggs. Sift flour, baking powder and pinch of salt into a separate bowl. Stir in blueberries to creamed mixture. Add the dry ingredients alternately with milk to creamed mixture. Add vanilla. Pour into a shallow, buttered pan and bake in the oven at 350 degrees for 35 minutes. Serve hot, cut into squares and with a scoop or ice cream or dollop of whipped cream.

plant. Get familiar with those because there are a lot of things that grow blue-colored berries out there," Philbrick Barr said. "Just because it's blue, you shouldn't just pop it in your mouth."

Foraging for edible plants has grown pretty popular, Philbrick Barr said. When it comes to foraging for any wild edible, she recommends tagging along with a knowledgeable source.

"I think most people do better when they go with someone who does foraging, whether it's blueberries or mushrooms or wild greens," she said. "I've definitely noticed an uptick in the last 10 years in [foraging]. ... It's a great primitive skill to learn and find where they are."

Before you pick any wild blueberries, check to make sure the trail, mountain, park or property allows picking. 🍷

Food Lectures/author events/ festivals/fairs

• **CHOCOLATE AS ART: MAYAN WEAVING** Thurs., July 17, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Dancing Lion Chocolate (917 Elm St., Manchester, 625-4043, dancinglion.us), artist Cheryl Holbert will lead instruction on Mayan and chocolate-inspired weaving.

• **AUTHOR EVENT** Brian Aldrich and Michael Meredith, authors of *New Hampshire Beer: Brewing from Sea to Summit*, will be at Toadstool Bookshop (222 West St., Suite 38, Keene) on Fri., July 18, at 7 p.m.; and at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord) on Thurs., Aug. 21, at 7 p.m.

• **FOOD DEMO** Sat., July 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Fresh Market (79 S. River Road, Bedford, 626-3420, thefreshmarket.com). Chef

will prepare Thai tuna cakes and Asian-style slaw demo with samples.

• **8TH ANNUAL BBQ TAILGATE COMPETITION** Sat., July 19, and Sun., July 20, with the Brookline Fire Department at the Brookline Ball Field (Route 130, Milford St., Brookline). Competitors can enter for \$75. Categories include ribs, chicken wings and pulled pork. KCBS certified judges judge ribs and chicken wing categories, and pulled pork will be judged by People's Choice. Cost \$5 admission for five different pulled pork samples and a ballot. Contact Andy King at 978-257-3125 or email basteboy@comcast.net.

• **FEASTING ON A PICNIC** Wed., July 23, at 6:30 p.m. with chef Liz Barbour at the Amherst Public Library (14 Main St., Amherst, 673-2288, amherstlibrary.org) with picnic recipes and demonstration. Free, but registration is required.

• **LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE** Movie night at Red River Theatres (11 S. Main St., Concord, 224-4697, redrivertheatres.org) on Thurs., July 24, with lecture and tasting on chocolate with Dancing Lion Chocolate Master Chocolatier Richard Tango-Lowy at 6 p.m., followed by film screening at 7 p.m. Call 224-4600 to reserve a spot.

• **BARNSTEAD OPEN FARM DAY** Sat., July 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 10 Barnstead farms. Call Robin at 269-5591 or Don at 435-0277. Visit nofanh.org.

• **AUTHOR EVENT** With Season 4 MasterChef winner Luca Manfè, author of *My Italian Kitchen*, book signing on Sat., July 26, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Tuscan Market, and private dinner at 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at Tuscan Kitchen (63 Main St., Salem, 912-5467, tuscanbrands.com). Dinner tickets cost \$125.

• **BLUEBERRY BASH** Sat., July 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Brookline Town Hall (1 Main St., Brookline) with homemade blueberry desserts. Hosted by the Brookline Women's Club. facebook.com/BlueberryBash.

• **WORLD OF CHOCOLATE** Exhibit at the Mariposa Museum & World Culture Center, 26 Main St., Peterborough, 924-4555, mariposa-museum.org. Includes the history of chocolate and the chocolate industry plus celebration of the 50th anniversary of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl. On exhibit Fri., Aug. 1, through Jan. 31, 2015. Admission costs \$6 (\$5 for seniors, \$4 for children).

Chef events/special meals

• **HUMANE SOCIETY FOR GREATER NASHUA DINNER** Tues., July 22, at The Common Man, Merrimack (304 Daniel Web-

• **New on Elm Street:** Two new downtown Manchester eateries are now open. **Bada Bing Pizzeria** (946 Elm St., Manchester) opened just in time for the fireworks show at the beginning of the month. **Taj India** (967 Elm St., Manchester, 606-2677, tajindia.co) opened on Monday, July 14, after renovating the space formerly occupied by Ate Doors Down, including a new paint job on the outside of the building.

• **Good noodle:** Before its opening, the Nashua franchise location of Noodles & Company (219 Daniel Webster Hwy., Nashua, 966-3486, noodles.com) hosted a sneak peek into the restaurant. The restaurant opened on Wednesday, July 16, after a fundraiser for Nashua Soup Kitchen on Tuesday, July 15. All proceeds from the fundraiser benefited the local organization.

• **Napa East closes:** As of Tuesday, July 8, Napa East (12 Murphy Drive, Unit B1, Nashua, 595-9463, napaeast.com) ownership closed the doors to its restaurant. There's no news on when or if the restaurant and lounge would reopen anytime soon. According to the Napa East website and Facebook page, the restaurant closed for restructuring and said to stay tuned to the Napa East Facebook page for developments. The Nashua Telegraph reported that owner Joanna Mahoney cited personal reasons for the recent closure but would not elaborate on reopening the restaurant.

• **A winning brew:** Kelsen Brewing Co. of Derry was recently awarded a gold medal in the American Brown Ale category for its Paradigm Brown Ale and a bronze medal in the Imperial IPA category for its Double Battle Axe Imperial IPA at the 2014 U.S. Open Beer Championship. According to the Union Leader, the international competition featured over 3,000 beers and ciders sent in to the championship, and winners were announced during the Independence Day weekend.

• **What to munch at Market Days:** Concord's 40th annual Market Days Festival (which runs Thursday, July 17, through Saturday, July 19, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily) features plenty of tastes, as well as sights and things to do. In Bicentennial Square, there's ice cream from Granite State Candy Shoppe, grilling from Arnie's, and coffee, wine and beer from True Brew. A beer and hospitality tent will be near the entrance to Capitol Plaza, featuring four craft brews from New Hampshire Dis-

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Catch of the day

NH Community Seafood brings fish from boat to plate

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When you sign up for New Hampshire Community Seafood's CSF program, you're literally going to get the catch of the day in your weekly share. The CSF (Community Supported Fishery) is just like Community Supported Agriculture programs, which feature in-season crops, but with fish instead.

Josh Wiersma manages the New Hampshire groundfishing sector and is the executive director and co-founder of New Hampshire Community Seafood. He knows what each of the fishing boats in the cooperative is bringing in each week. Because he can't always predict what will be available, Wiersma said that chances are, you won't know what you're getting in your CSF share until you pick it up.

"It's what our fishermen are catching that particular week, or what's abundant," Wiersma said.

Often, members have never even heard of some of the fish that come in, let alone how to cook them. The fish are local to New Hampshire waters, including yellowtail flounder, dayboat dogfish shark, butterfish, Gulf of Maine cod and silver hake, to name a few.

One week, share members received monkfish as their weekly share. It's a scary-looking groundfish that is very common to Atlantic waters, but only two out of 40 members at one of the pick-up locations had ever heard of it, Wiersma said.

Members can find recipes on the New Hampshire Community Seafood website. Wiersma's go-to recommendation for any fish is pan-frying it in olive oil until it is golden brown, using salt, butter and fresh lemon juice.

CSF membership has more than doubled since last year, with an average of 240 members signing up for any of the eight-week seasons, from June through December, Wiersma said. There are currently 11 pick-up locations for the CSF from Portsmouth to Canterbury. Wiersma said they need a few more members to add another location in Nashua.

"The clients we deal with in the CSF model, they all have the same things in common. They all have a desire to know where their fish and where their food is coming from, to support their local economy and their local fisherman," he said.

Now, restaurants are interested in getting a share of that fresh local fish, too. Already there are 10 restaurants receiving weekly shares through New Hampshire Community Seafood's Restaurant Supported Fishery



Become a Community Supported Fishery member at the farmers market. Photo by Sarah VanHorn.

New Hampshire Community Seafood

Registration is now open for the second 8-week CSF season, which begins the week of Aug. 11.

Pick-up locations: Portsmouth, Exeter and Manchester farmers markets, Canterbury (Brookford Farm Store, 250 West Road), Dover (Dover Natural Foods & Cafe, 7 Chestnut St.), Portsmouth (140 Orchard St.), Laconia (Local Eatery, 21 Veterans Square), Durham (39 Mill Pond Road), Rollinsford (Brandmoore Farm Store, 70 Sligo Road), Peterborough (4 Laurel St.), Dracut, Mass. (Farmer Dave's 436 Parker Road); coming soon Nashua (Railroad Square Park)

Visit: nhcommunityseafood.com

program, which started this year. There are a number of participating restaurants in Portsmouth, along with Joinery in Newmarket and Local Eatery in Laconia.

It's the same concept as the CSF — the restaurants receive a weekly share of what fishermen are catching, and pay the same price for everything. Chefs then adapt their menus to incorporate whatever comes in.

New Hampshire Community Seafood is only in its infancy. The fishermen own the cooperative, and consumers, including CSF members, can become stockholders. The organization promotes sustainable fishing for both consumers and fishermen.

"Most people don't know anything about what we catch off of our waters," Wiersma said. "That's the idea behind this: Educate the public about local fisheries, about what fishermen are catching, and connect them with the fishermen."

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FOOD

Try a brew or two

Brewers Summer Fest comes to Manchester

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Brewers from all over the state will be in Manchester on Saturday, July 26, for the Granite State Brewers Association Summer Fest, which features only New Hampshire-brewed beer.

"The craft beer industry has been going crazy for the past year or so," festival chair Peter Telge said. "In a way, we're all in competition with each other, but we're all striving for the same thing — to get people to drink New Hampshire beer."

Fans of local craft beer will remember the Southern New Hampshire Brewers Fest held at White Birch Brewing in Hooksett during previous summers. It grew so large that this year, the Granite State Brewers Association decided that it was time to find a new venue. Telge, who also owns Milly's Tavern and Stark Brewing Company, recommended Manchester, and more specifically, its mill-yard riverside green space, Arms Park.

"A lot of the different breweries wanted to do it in their backyard, and I thought this was the best location," Telge said. "It's centrally located in the state, with hotels and tons of parking ... for all those reasons, I pushed for this city."

As of press time, more than 25 local breweries from all over the state will be participating in the festival, and Telge said there will definitely be more by next week. Festival-goers will get a chance to meet brewers and sample craft beers from both large and nano-sized breweries, from Portsmouth to North Conway and everywhere in between.

"I think that's the biggest draw here," Telge said. "There's no other festival where you can meet every New Hampshire brewer. ... There's a lot of [festivals] around the state. None of them will have that amount of New Hampshire breweries."

Telge said that each brewery will be bringing an assortment of brews for guests to sample, with over 100 different craft beers in roughly 20 to 30 different styles. Festival-goers will be able to try 2-ounce samples from any of the participating breweries. There will be plenty of variety, including seasonal brews like summer ales and shandys.

Granite State Brewers Association Summer Fest

When: Saturday, July 26, from 1 to 5 p.m. (VIP admission at noon)

Where: Arms Park, Manchester (located in the millyard)

Cost: \$30 general admission, \$40 VIP admission, \$20 designated driver, \$15 VIP parking

Visit: granitestatebrewersassociation.org



Southern New Hampshire Brewers Fest. Photo credit Betty Kaplan.

"You're going to get a nice assortment of beers," Telge said. "Typically you feature beers that are in season, although I know there will be some stouts and IPAs that are good any time of the year."

Telge said that his brewery, Stark Brewing Company and Milly's Tavern, will probably feature a Hefeweizen, Mountain View, Milly's and maybe a blueberry beer, too.

Since there's plenty to try, Telge recommends taking notes and chatting with brewers.

"[At festivals], I come in and rate beers, and which beers I really like," Telge said. "There's a lot of good beers out there."

The festival will also feature live music, including a performance by Alli Beaudry, and a chicken wing competition. About a dozen restaurants will prepare their own chicken wings for the competition, and festival-goers will be able to vote for their favorites by cell phone.

The festival benefits New Horizons for New Hampshire. Telge sits on the board at New Horizons and recommended the festival at a winter meeting when the organization was looking for events. He said that, more broadly, it will also benefit the local economy, which is one of the reasons city officials were on board.

"I went to the city first and asked them if they would be willing to work with me. ... Basically they were all on board because these things bring tons of business to the local economy," he said. "I know when Exeter does its [Powder Keg Beer & Chili Festival], they have their biggest weekend all year for business."

Telge anticipates about 1,500 people to attend this year's festival and thinks it's only going to grow from there. He said that one Vermont craft beer festival attracts 35,000 people, and it will be in its 15th year.

"It's basically similar to what we're doing here," he said. "There's no doubt in my mind that in the future we'll have 5,000 to 10,000 people."

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tributors. Food trucks, vendors and local restaurants on Main Street include Arnie's ice cream, Mini Melts, Kona Ice, Polly's novelty ice cream truck, Orange Leaf frozen yogurt (on the street), and Dips (in the shop); Constantly Pizza, Bambino's Pizzeria, and Checkmate Pizza have slices; food trucks include Gelinas with steak bombs, blooming onion and sandwiches, Holly's with fried dough and frozen lemonade, Bayou Billy's, Ray's Gourmet with cotton candy, kettle corn and lemonade, and Yankee Farmers Market with buffalo burgers and sausage. Other food vendors include Jorge's Paella, Puppy Love, Lucy's Lunchbox, Dunkin' Donuts (with samples of frozen drinks), and many of the vendors from the Concord farmers market. Restaurants include El Rodeo, Washington Street Cafe and Tea Garden. Barley House will offer outdoor seating on Main Street, and Tandy's Top Shelf will be serving from its full menu in Eagle Square. Intown Concord Operations Manager Liza Poinier said that although they may not be on the street, downtown restaurants are open during Market Days, so festival-goers should check them out, too. Plus, the Concord farmers market will be open on Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Capitol Street.

• **More chocolate:** Dancing Lion Chocolate is having a busy summer. Owner and master chocolatier Richard Tango-Lowy will be at Red River Theatres (11 S. Main St., Concord) on Thursday, July 24, for a film screening of *Like Water for Chocolate*, plus a lecture and chocolate tasting. The talk and tasting starts at 6 p.m., followed by the screening at 7 p.m. Call 224-4600 to reserve

a spot. The downtown Manchester chocolate shop is also featuring a Chocolate As Art series this summer on the sidewalk outside the shop. Events include Mayan-inspired weaving with Cheryl Holbert on Thursday, July 17, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., painting on chocolate with Katherine Donovan on Thursday, July 31, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., a kids chocolate (clay) bonbon class with Kerry Harman on Thursday, Aug. 14, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., and chocolate-inspired pottery with Monica Leap of Studio 550 on Thursday, Sept. 25, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Lastly, Dancing Lion Chocolate opened for breakfast Tuesday, July 15, and is now open weekdays at 7 a.m. serving espresso, cappuccino, drinking chocolate, tea, croissants, biscotti, majorcas (the Puerto Rican breakfast version of Monte Cristo) and assorted baked goods. "We've always been more than a chocolate shop. We're chocolatiers who find new and interesting ways to bring out the flavors in chocolate," Tango-Lowy said in a press release announcing the breakfast.

• **Blintzes, challah, kugel and more:** Temple B'nai Israel's 17th Annual Jewish Food Festival will be on Sunday, July 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 210 Court St., Laconia. The festival features all sorts of savory and sweet treats, including blintzes, potato latkes, knishes, kishka, stuffed cabbage, kugel, chopped liver, matzo ball soup, as well as corned beef, pastrami, and brisket sandwiches. There's also rugulah, strudel, challah and cakes for dessert. Temple B'nai Israel members help prepare all the eats. There's also the Nearly New Boutique and Judaica items for sale. Visit tbinh.org.

ster Hwy, Merrimack, 429-3463, thecman.com) with two dinner seatings, at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 (excludes tax and gratuity). Choose one of four entrees (New England Pot Roast, Apple Walnut Chicken, Fresh Atlantic Salmon, Vegetable Tofu Stir Fry). Purchase tickets at hsfn.org or call 889-2275.

• **GARDEN TO TABLE** At Moulton Farm (18 Quarry Road, Meredith, 279-3915, moultonfarm.com) breakfasts on Sundays from 8 a.m. to noon on July 27, Aug. 24, and Sept. 14; dinner buffets from noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, July 22, and Aug. 16. • **DOWNTOWN DINNER & MOVIE SERIES** Movie screening and dinner in downtown Nashua. Each dinner and screening starts at 7 p.m. Wed., July 23, screening *Jaws* with dinner by Surf; Wed., Aug. 6, screening *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, with dinner by Villa Banca; Wed., Aug. 20, viewers choice *Bridesmaids* or *The Hangover* (voting closes Tues., July 15) with dinner by

Martha's Exchange. Screening tickets cost \$8; dinner costs above and beyond admission. Visit nashuamovies.com.

• **PRIVATE DINNER WITH LUCA MANFÉ** Features season 4 MasterChef winner and author of *My Italian Kitchen* at the Tuscan Kitchen (67 Main St., Salem, 952-4875, tuscankitchens.com) on Sat., July 26, at 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$125.

Church/charity suppers/bake sales

• **COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** Sundays from 8 to 11 a.m. at Philbrick-Clement Post 65 American Legion (12 N. Stark Highway, Weare, 529-2722, nhpost65.us). A la carte breakfast menu benefits the Legion and community outreach. Cost ranges from \$3.50 to \$7.

• **COMMUNITY SUPPER** Held the third Wed. of each month from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Milford at 20 Elm St. See uucm.org.

Food classes/workshops

• **PASTURED POULTRY** Wed., July 23, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Benedikt Dairy (97 Shirley Hill Road, Goffstown) workshop on pastured poultry with Jeff Mattocks. Costs \$25, advance registration required. Purchase tickets by Sun., July 20. Visit pasturedpoultry.eventbrite.com.

• **RAISING BACKYARD MEAT CHICKENS ORGANICALLY** Sun., July 27, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Evandale Farm, 424 Tilton Hill Road, Pittsfield. Workshop includes brooding, feeding, watering and housing backyard chickens organically and on a small scale. Costs \$10. Register online at nofanh.org.

• **BAKING CROISSANTS** Wed., July 23, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Dancing Lion Chocolate (917 Elm St., Manchester, 625-4043, dancinglion.us). Cost \$65, advance registration required.

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Charlie Cicero is the executive chef at Buckley's Great Steaks (438 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, 424-0995, buckleysgreatsteaks.com). Cicero attended culinary school at Newbury College in Brookline, Mass. He's always cooking, and one of his hobbies is competitive barbecue. Cicero particularly enjoys working with the wood fire grill at Buckley's Great Steaks (though he admits that he does get sick of steak every now and then). He said that Buckley's Great Steaks fits his culinary style and that he and owner Michael Buckley are both on the same page when it comes to balanced flavors. "[He] and I have a very similar philosophy when it comes to food," he said. "We're both old-school chefs."



What is your must-have kitchen item?

I have three. My must-have kitchen items are my plating spoons, butcher's twine and a roasting fork. I cook with those. I cook with the spoons. I don't use a lot of tongs.

What would you choose for your last meal?

Eggplant parmesan. I wouldn't cook it. I'd probably have my sister [cook it]. She makes the best eggplant parm. She makes me a big plate at Christmas, and I cut it up and freeze it.

Favorite restaurant besides your own?

I don't have just one. One of them is Surf Sushi up in Portsmouth — it's one of Michael [Buckley]'s other restaurants, and I love sushi. I could eat sushi probably every day, hands down. I guess my other favorite would be Steel & Rye, that's in Milton, Mass. That's one of my favorite chefs ever. I always said I knew how to cook, but when I worked for him I learned how to cook. I love his restaurant, I love his food. It's always straightforward, and it's always delicious.

What celebrity would you like to see eating at your restaurant?

Bradley Ogden. He's out in Las Vegas. He's probably one of my culinary heroes.

What is the biggest food trend in New Hampshire right now?

More and more people are trying to get local and sustainable. We even do the same thing here at Buckley's, and Michael's done it all along. When I started, we started planting the garden so we have pots out there, we

have tomato plants out back. And yeah, I can't sustain the restaurant on them, but when tomatoes are in season they never see refrigeration — they're just washed and brought in. I try to use them as close to being just picked as possible. The other thing I see happen a lot more, is a lot more people are getting into butchery. Which is great, because I was lucky enough to work for a lot of old-time chefs and I learned a long time ago how to make my own prosciuttos — I have two curing right now. ... I see that a lot of the younger kids are starting to do that and it's great.

What is your favorite meal to cook at home?

I have the three girls and they look through cookbooks and we pick a theme weekend. They want Thai food, and we pick recipes and we make Thai food one weekend. Next weekend they want pizza, so we'll do pizza and salad. I'll do wood-grilled pizzas and I'll do some in the oven. They'll have a bunch of girlfriends over and we'll have 12 screaming girls in the house, and I'll be making pizza all day. I cook constantly. Even my hobby is competitive barbecue. So I don't really have a favorite.

What is your favorite dish on your restaurant's menu?

My two favorites are the bacon and egg burger — I love, love the bacon and egg burger. It's one of those things if I could eat red meat every day, I would have that every day. The other is the blackened prime rib.

— Emelia Attridge

Sugar and spiced cured New York strip

From the kitchen of chef Charlie Cicero.

- 4 steaks
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon fresh garlic
- 1 tablespoon granulated onion
- 1 tablespoon chili powder

- ½ teaspoon cumin
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne

Mix rub ingredients together. Prepare steaks by applying rub to top and bottom. Cover completely on top and cure for 24 hours. Wipe off excess and grill in indirect heat until desired temperature, being careful not to burn because of the sugar cure, which can cause it to burn easily.

Go Greek

St. Nicholas festival a weekend of cuisine and culture

By Allie Ginwala
seacoast@hippopress.com

What do pastichio, loukoumathes and moussaka have in common? They're all Greek dishes, and they'll all be available to eat at the 38th St. Nicholas Greek Festival on Friday, July 18, on the church grounds in Portsmouth, N.H.

"Everything's Greek," said Rich Rizza, a member of St. Nicholas who handles marketing for the annual summer event.

A menu that has remained the same for the past few summers due to its popularity, there are a number of full dinners, pastry and a la carte options. There are seven diners to choose from, including baked lamb shank, souvlaki (charbroiled and marinated chicken or pork kabob) and pastichio (baked macaroni topped with cheese, beef, and béchamel sauce), all served with a side of rice pilaf, Greek salad, and pita wedges.

"A lot of people buy spanakopita," Rizza said, noting that more than 1,000 of the spinach and feta-filled filo dishes are sold every year.

If the dinners aren't enough to fill you up, or if you're looking for a lighter meal, you can buy dishes like moussaka (baked eggplant, potatoes, ground beef, cheese, spices and béchamel sauce) or dolmathakia (stuffed grape leaves) individually from the a la carte menu.

Preparation for the July 18 festival starts in June and continues in stages right up to the event, all of the food preparation and cooking done by church volunteers.

"We make it all," Rizza said.

As a part of the men's group, he helped cut and marinate the meats.

"The women [from the church] were making and freezing moussaka a month ago ... and have been baking pastries for several weeks," he said.

The pastries are another big hit at the festival, with a menu of 11 options from baklava to loukoumathes (deep-fried dough balls drizzled with honey syrup). For those who can't pick just one pastry, opt for the sampler that has two each of kourambi-



Prepping food for the festival. Courtesy of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

ethes, koulourakia, amygdalota, finikia, baklava and kataifi.

A family-oriented event with a big focus on food, there will also be live music and dancing throughout the weekend, including a dance exhibition by the Greek school students at 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Two bands will perform, one each on Friday and Saturday night. Orfeas, a favorite at the festival, will play on Friday at 7 p.m.

"Orfeas is a band based out of Massachusetts that we've had for several of the past festivals," Rizza said. "They have a great following."

With their tendency to pack the festival, they usually book Orfeas for both nights, Rizza said, but due to the wedding of one of the band's members, a new band was booked for the Saturday slot. Dilina, a band known by a few church members that got great reviews, will perform at 7 p.m. the second night. Since the festival runs throughout the day from Friday to Sunday, DJ Meleti will be there to provide a soundtrack to the festival with his mixture of Greek and American music.

An estimated 4,000 to 5,000 people will come to be fed and entertained for the weekend-long festival. "We throw it in the summer because of the seacoast tourists," Rizza said. "There are people that just love Greek festivals."

The event is an opportunity for the church to raise funds to help support general outreach. According to Rizza, past festival earnings have helped stock food kitchens, provide scholarships to local high school seniors and make donations to Greek charities.

The funds are raised by the food sold throughout the three days. Entrance to the festival is by donation (\$3 is the suggested amount). 🍷

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My herb garden is in full force right now. My herbs are growing and enjoying all the sunshine and bouts of rain we've been having. While I have a variety of herbs, my flat-leaf parsley seems to be flourishing the most. Parsley, unlike basil, is a biennial plant and will return for a second year. Even though it comes back, it won't produce as many of its tasty leaves and instead flowers. Pinching back the flowers will help the parsley produce more leaves, just like basil.

Parsley comes in two major varieties: flat



and curly. I chose to plant flat, Italian parsley because I prefer its taste and it's supposedly easier to grow. According to Self magazine's online nutrition database, parsley is swimming with vitamins A and C. It can be used as a garnish but, since it's so delicious and nutritious, it's best as a real, bona fide ingredient! As evidenced by its name, its presence is common in many Italian dishes. Check out my recipe below and enjoy!

— Allison Willson Dudas

Chicken Alfredo with Spinach

2 chicken breasts, grilled or sautéed and sliced (don't use your oven or stove this hot summer!)
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Alfredo Sauce, adapted from Pioneer Woman

3 cups baby spinach
¼ cup chopped flat-leaf parsley

1 stick butter
1 cup heavy cream
2 cups grated Parmesan
Salt and pepper, to taste
Pasta cooking water, as needed

In pot, warm butter and cream, stirring continuously. Season with salt and pepper and add Parmesan. Mix in parsley and spinach, until gently wilted, adding a splash of the pasta water. Serve over pasta, top with chicken.

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Barbecue Chicken Sauce

One of my favorite things about summer is barbecue. I love the sweet, smoky and savory flavors that come from cooking for hours in a wood smoker or minutes on a grill. Habitually, I've left the grilling and barbecuing to the men in my life. First my dad and now my husband take over the majority of cooking in the summer, if only because most of it is done outdoors.

I typically shy away from open flames, and have never mastered the technique for cooking something perfectly on the grill. In the summer, my parents marinate meat including chicken, steak and pork during the day while they're at work, and throw it on the grill at the end of a long day. My husband prefers to spend weekends on a lawn chair next to his wood smoker, slowly cooking everything from brisket to ribs and even whole turkeys.

Side dishes are usually more my forte for cookouts, but this week I stepped outside of my comfort zone and made the main dish — barbecue pulled chicken.

I was tempted to cheat and use a bottled barbecue sauce, but thought since I was already experimenting on the grill I might as well dive in head first from start to finish.



In my pantry you'll find a lot of odd bottles of sauces. I'll buy things like Worcestershire sauce and use it once for a pot roast, and then it sits in my pantry or refrigerator for months until it expires. So when I started looking for a simple recipe for barbecue sauce and stumbled upon one using only ingredients I had on hand, I felt like I hit the jackpot.

This combination of apple cider vinegar, ketchup, brown sugar, hot sauce and Worcestershire sauce is as basic as it gets. You could add some cayenne for additional heat if so inclined, but I like my barbecue more sweet and savory than spicy.

A pinch of salt and a tablespoon of butter complete the sauce. It's perfect for leftover chicken or great to add to chicken hot off the grill. Plus, since this is a vinegar-based sauce, it's not as sticky sweet as some sauces you'll find in the store.

The mild flavors of the sauce would work well with pork too. I added the sauce after the chicken was cooked and pulled, but you could add it as a glaze during grilling instead. This simple sauce is ideal for last-minute barbecues, and great for utilizing some extra pantry ingredients too. — *Lauren Mifsud* 🍷

North Carolina BBQ Chicken Sauce

Courtesy Derrick Riches for About.com

1 cup apple cider vinegar
½ cup ketchup
2 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

1 tablespoon butter
2 teaspoons salt
½ tablespoon hot pepper sauce

Mix all ingredients together in a saucepan and let simmer for about 10 minutes. Best if used after meat is cooked; add sauce to coat (makes about 2 cups of sauce).

• **NO-BAKE COOKING** First and third Tue. of the month at 3:30 p.m. for kids ages 8 and older at the Wilton Public & Gregg Free Library, 7 Forest Road, Wilton. See wiltonlibrarynh.org. Registration required.

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• **BEDFORD ITALIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY** meets on the third Thursday of the month from September through June at 7 p.m. at Bedford Public Library, 3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford.
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FOOD

JUST DESSERTS
Recipes for the sweet tooth

S'mores parfait

Having made it to July without a campfire in sight, I decided that, rather than dragging out the fire pit (which technically requires a permit) to make a tiny fire over which to roast marshmallows, I should make something more s'mores-esque, minus the hassle, for this week's dessert. Sure, nothing can replace an actual s'more — especially one made with a half-burnt, kind of dirty marshmallow roasted by a well-meaning child — but when you're nowhere near a campsite and a backyard fire seems like too much work, anything resembling a s'more will satisfy someone who's looking for a taste of summer.

I pictured chocolate pudding instead of a bar of milk chocolate, topped with graham cracker crumbles and mini marshmallows. A quick online search showed me that, no surprise, I wasn't the first dessert-maker to come up with the idea. I glanced through some of the recipes, including s'mores bars and



s'mores trail mix, but I ultimately went with my initial s'mores parfait idea.

It's as easy as making chocolate pudding, dividing it into serving dishes and refrigerating until soft set, then topping with crushed graham crackers and mini marshmallows. That's it. You can make four really good-sized servings with one box of pudding, or eight smaller servings, which were perfect for my four kid taste-testers — who, incidentally, devoured their parfaits and gave them rave reviews.

— Meghan Siegler

S'mores parfait

- 1 box instant chocolate pudding
- 2 cups milk
- 4-6 honey graham crackers
- As many mini marshmallows as you want

Make pudding according to directions.

Divide into serving dishes (anywhere from four to eight, depending on how big you want the servings to be). Let chill for about 5 minutes, until pudding is soft set. Put graham crackers in a zip-top plastic bag, then use a rolling pin to crush them. Sprinkle on top of pudding (again, you can add as much or as little as you want). Top with mini marshmallows.

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Over-21 popsicles

Frozen treats for hot summer days

By Stefanie Phillips
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During these warm days of summer, a chilled glass of wine is nice, but sometimes it just isn't enough. This got me thinking: is there a better way to enjoy wine or another favorite drink without sipping it from a glass? It turns out that yes, there is.

When I was a child, one of my favorite things was those frozen tubes of sugar water also known as the push-up pops or freeze pops. You can still enjoy them as an adult, but why not make them even better by adding your favorite wine or liquor and turning them into a frozen popsicle treat?

Here are a few adult popsicle recipe ideas to get you through these hot summer days with a little refreshment. They are a great idea if you are heading to a barbecue, hosting a summer event or just looking for a way to use up some leftover wine or liquor. And they are quick and easy. All you need is a few ingredients and a popsicle tray. They are pretty easy to find at local stores this time of year and come in a variety of shapes and sizes.

Boozy Bellini Popsicles

Recipe courtesy E is for Eat

¼ cup Champagne or sparkling wine
¼ cup peach puree — For the peach puree, you'll need about six peaches or nectarines (1.5 pounds) and 1 tablespoon sugar (optional)

To make the puree, peel and pit the peaches or nectarines. Place in blender with sugar (optional) until smooth.

To make the popsicles, measure ¾ cup puree and mix with ¼ cup Champagne. This is the general ratio. If you have extra puree, just make sure you keep it 75 percent puree to 25 percent wine.

Pour into popsicle molds. Freeze for several hours or overnight. Makes about four popsicles, depending upon tray size.

Red Wine Fudgesicles

Recipe courtesy A Beautiful Mess

1 cup red wine
1½ cups dark chocolate chips
1½ cups milk

In a small pot, simmer the wine over low/medium heat for 8 to 12 minutes, or until it reduces. Remove from the heat and whisk in the chocolate until it melts completely. Stir in the milk. Pour into the popsicle tray and freeze overnight. Makes about four to six popsicles depending on tray size.



Strawberry Champagne Popsicles

Recipe courtesy Brown Sugar

¼ cup water
¼ cup sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 pound fresh strawberries
1 cup Champagne or sparkling wine

In a small sauce pan, add the water, sugar and lemon juice. Bring to a slight boil. Boil for five minutes or until the sugar is dissolved. Set aside and let cool.

Cut the tops off of the berries and slice in half. Puree or blend slightly in a food processor or blender (the smoothness can be to your own liking). Put the strawberry puree into a bowl and add the liquid mixture and Champagne. Stir until well mixed.

Pour the mixture into a popsicle mold and freeze for at least six hours, or overnight. Makes about six popsicles.

White Sangria Popsicles

Recipe courtesy Confections of a Foodie Bride

1 bottle dry white wine
½ cup simple syrup (sugar and water mixture)
½ cup orange liqueur (Triple Sec or Grand Marnier)
2 lemons
2 cups chopped fruit (strawberries, apples, peaches, blackberries, etc.)

Combine the wine, simple syrup and orange liqueur in a large pitcher. Juice one lemon into the pitcher. Slice the other lemon thinly and then halve those slices. Add to the pitcher with the remaining fruit. Pour into 3-ounce paper cups and freeze for about two hours or until they start to ice over. Insert popsicle sticks and freeze for another two to three hours or until solid. Makes about 24 popsicles. (You can also use a popsicle mold if desired but the yield will be different depending on the mold size). This recipe can also be used to make regular sangria — just add some sparkling water (she recommends two cups) before serving. 🍷

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RED, WHITE & GREEN

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Blends aren't just for reds — this week, we tried two white blends.

First up, the **2012 Borealis The Northern Whites** from Willamette Valley (\$14.95 from Angela's Pasta and Cheese Shop in Manchester). This wine is a blend of 30 percent riesling, 20 percent gewurztraminer, 14 percent pinot gris and 36 percent Müller-Thurgau, a grape we'd never heard of before. According to Wikipedia, Müller-Thurgau is a cross of riesling and Madeleine Royale (which is primarily a table grape) created by a Swiss man named Müller and largely grown in Germany and points east. "Easy drinking" is how the Wines of Germany (germanwineusa.com) described this grape. We found the wine very easy drinking as well. This pale gold wine had aromas of mineraliness, toastiness and lemon. "Very well-structured, very tasty" was how one of us described it. This wine had a little sweetness but finished dry, with notes of ruby grapefruit. It was an excellent complement for our dinner of grilled cheese.

We also tried **The Messenger Telegram White Wine Number One** from California (\$18.95 from Angela's Pasta



and Cheese), a blend of 69 percent Sauvignon Blanc, 18 percent muscat cannelli and 13 percent riesling. This golden wine had a nose that made us think green — fresh, green and tart. We also detected notes of lemon, lime and a general mineraliness. The flavor made us think green too, though not the grassiness you can get with a sauvignon blanc. We detected more of a green stone fruit with a slight flavor of honey. The wine was tart but full, a nice sipper on its own or with a variety of snacks.

Each week in "Red, White & Green," the wine-lovers taste red and white wines that sell for not too much of the green, less than \$20. The goal? To find a good bottle without breaking the bank. Unless otherwise noted, the prices listed are what you'll find the bottles selling for at the New Hampshire Wine & Liquor Outlet.

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- **STARK BREWING CO** tasting on Thurs., July 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Top Shelf Brews, 826 Lafayette Road, Hampton, 601-2894, topshelfbrewsstore.com.

Beer/wine dinners

- **STARK BREWING CO.** Summer Beer Dinner at Milly's Tavern (500 Commercial St., Manchester, 625-4444, millystavern.com) on Fri., July 25, from 6 to 9 p.m. Includes social hour with appetizer and five-course dinner (vegetarian entree option available), each served with a different brew. Tickets cost \$45.

Beer/wine festivals and special events

- **AUTHOR EVENT** Brian Aldrich and Michael Meredith, authors of *New Hampshire Beer: Brewing from Sea to Summit*, will be at Toadstool Bookshop (222 West St., Suite 38, Keene) on Fri., July 18, at 7 p.m.; and at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord) on Thurs., Aug. 21, at 7 p.m.
- **GRANITE STATE BREWERS ASSOCIATION SUMMER FEST** Sat., July 26, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Arms Park, Manchester. Brewers festival and chicken wing competition. Benefits Granite State Brewers Association, Brew NH and New Horizons for New Hampshire. Tickets cost \$30 for general admission, \$20 for designated drives, \$40 for VIP admission (early access at noon) and \$15 for VIP parking. Visit granitestatebrewersassociation.org.
- **PINT NITE** Thursdays at 7 p.m. at The Holy Grail (64 Main St., Epping, 679-9559, holygrail-restaurantandpub.com). Pints cost \$4 for special brew and includes glass. Thurs., July 17, features Seadog Sunfish; Thurs., July 24, features Shocktop Honey Crisp Apple; Thurs., July 31, features Curious Traveler.

Beer/wine making classes

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- **TUSCAN MARKET** 63 Main St., Salem, 912-5467, holds wine tastings on Wednesdays, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Cost \$20, includes four wines and history lesson on each with wine director Joe Comforti. See tuscanbrands.com.
- **VINO AROMAS** 998 Elm St., Manchester, 626-8466, vino-aromas.com, offers "Wines Around the World" every Sat. from 4 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$10. They also offer tastings every Thurs. from 5 to 7 p.m.

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Phox, *Phox* (Partisan Records)



From Wisconsin, a Vesuvius of quirk rains down on our heads, a concoction that makes like Norah Jones with Vampire Weekend as a backup band. No seriously, all five band members are from Wisconsin, which somehow makes their range of Bonnaroo fluff — cowboy-spaghetti stuff to downtempo ukulele stuff — seem not quite as forced, not that there's proof of that per se. By now, you have to get the sense that bands like this consist of one guy with a deathly fear of cubicle life and three or four others with the bad luck

to know the guy's roommates, "happy accident" bands that last an album or three before deciding that dropping out of school wasn't the brightest idea to pick from. Singer and main songwriter Monica Martin's low smoky voice chameleons between Norah and Neneh Cherry as needed, from the found-object-percussive faux-Caribbean opener "Kingfisher" to the glitch-Calexico-tinged "Raspberry Seed" — OK, that's not a yawning chasm of eclecticism there, but it is what it is. What does all this mean? It means that they'll get comfortable in the sure-to-come lavish praise heaped on them by deadline-haunted CMJ hacks, and then either experiment too much or settle into a role as a hippy-festival B-tent fixture. Does it matter which? **B** — *Eric W. Saeger*

21 Octayne, *Into The Open* (AFM Records)



You have to negotiate a pretty thick forest of BS before getting to the meat of this basically worthwhile hard-rock potato. These are five euro-metal fellas, all of whom have survived extended stints with B-list rawk-star thingamabobs like Joe Perry Project (the singer), Axxis (the guitarist) and Rhapsody (some other guy). That's usually enough to scare off any seriousness I might have applied to one of these brief rundowns, but furthermore, the band's logo is all messed up — the "2" and the "1" look like a "2" and a "4" when they're mushed together like that,

don't they? These screw-ups aside, though, it's not a bad record, really; it's certainly not the usual disposable Skid Row thing that conjures images of mullets and herpes medication. Within their Avenged Sevenfold/Papa Roach nu-metal approach there are things that are actually cool, like old Rage Against the Machine anger-management bonk-bonk-bonking and even a [very] few quirky samples. They could become a next-gen Candlebox, if that sounds the slightest bit appealing. **A-** — *Eric W. Saeger*

PLAYLIST

A seriously abridged compendium of recent and future CD releases

- Canadian bored-hipster five-piece **Alvvays** releases its self-titled debut album, produced by unadulterated weird person Chad Van Gaalen, who invents useless instruments, like two-person "thumb pianos," just to tick me off. But wait, I don't hate the two songs I've heard off this album, "Archie Marry Me" and "Adult Diversion," as they are both exemplary pieces of glitch-blasted neo-1980s skronk-pop, which you should get into if you want to be relevant to the children of Millennials in 15 years, if any of us are left. It's sort of like a mixture of 'Til Tuesday, Archie Bronson Outfit and old Boston garage; in other words, there are hooks and noise and glitch. Pretty non-bad overall, like everything from Canada. Don't you wish some Canadian band would just put out an album that completely sucks? Aside from Loverboy and Triumph, I mean?

- Also from Canada is **PS I Love You**, whose third LP, *For Those Who Stay*, will be in the Canadian Imports section of your local grocer or pirate download site. No previews available, but in the past they've done a sort of Primal Scream/Rolling Stones/Horrors trip that was pretty good, lots of 1950s effect-age, loud and stupid, the way I like it, even if their songwriting only appeals to Pitchfork writers and garden slugs.

- Chicago rapper/actor **Common** is set to release his 10th studio LP, *Nobody Smiling*. If you liked his 2011 full-length *The Dreamer/The Believer*, this new album is similarly produced by No I.D., but the big question on everyone's mind is whether Common will make more "subtle" "beef" with Drake for being a sissy rapper-singer, and then it will escalate and Drake will throw a tantrum onstage and then Vince McMahon from the WWE will have to referee a pay-per-view wrestling match between these two beefers, to settle their beefs. In other news, there is starvation in three-fourths of the world.

- Not to be outdone by all the above nonsense, Austin, Texas-based 1960s-throwback indie band **Black Angels** also have an LP coming out, titled *Clear Lake Forest*. It's the band's fifth album, supposedly, not that anyone really seems to care except for the one commenter on YouTube who posted the same rave twice. Maybe he's in the band? I don't know, I've never listened to Black Angels before, have you? Well, that's actually too bad, because they're all psychedelic and skronky, like the first single from this album, "Sunday Evening" sounds like Warlocks, a little, or maybe Spacemen 3 after listening to Spanky and Our Gang for 60 hours straight while tripping on Flintstone Chewable vitamins. — *Eric W. Saeger*

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By Kelly Sennott
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The third weekend in June, the town of Newmarket was startled to find Bigfoot in its midst, strolling around town like it was no big deal. He rummaged through garbage cans, snatched food off diners' plates and drank all the beer at a local college party.

This was just the beginning of what would be a very strange New Hampshire weekend; not far away, a lake house in Barrington saw blood, and a local zombie named Alan began training for a foot race. Random people laughed when things weren't funny, screamed when they weren't scary, and weirdest of all, they kept saying this one phrase: "In my opinion, it's perfect."

Crazy things happen every year during New Hampshire's 48 Hour Film Project, but according to filmmakers, the biggest peculiarity is that this weekend, films are made in 48 hours.

"In that 48-hour window, you have to do everything," said Dan Greenleaf, the producer for this year's event. "It puts a lot of pressure on you. Some of these teams get just four to five hours of sleep that whole weekend. ... But they end up with something finished. ... It's also nice for them to see work on the big screen within a few days."

The New Hampshire 48 Hour Film Project is one segment in a world-wide event. At every location — Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Washington, Chicago and abroad — the concept is the same.

The 26 New Hampshire film teams met on June 20 at precisely 6 p.m. at Red River Theatres in Concord, where they sized up the competition, drew a genre from a hat and learned the three required elements for the film. (This year, those elements were: an award, a long-distance runner named Alan Fleming and the phrase, "In my opinion, it's perfect.")

These requirements help ensure there's little to no pre-planning; teams, which range in size from two to 40, may scout out locations and gather movie props ahead of time, but there's little allowance for story development.

Filmmakers had until Sunday, June 22, at 7 p.m. to write a script, shoot and edit a four- to seven-minute film. The first screening occurred June 25 at Cinemagic in Hooksett. The final one will happen Thursday, July 24, at 7 p.m., also at Cinemagic, during which audiences will view 14 to 15 of the best films and the three judges — Dan Hannon, John Campanello and Jonathan Meath — will announce the winners.

In its sixth year, the number of participants has plateaued; the growth is in the quality.

"The technical quality has improved greatly. This year there weren't any weird glitches,



Bigfoot in *Losing Bigfoot* was played by Mario St. Remmy and Peter O'Connell. The film won the audience choice award in June. Jimmy Luc photo.

strange things going on," Greenleaf said. "But this year I think you also see better storytelling. ... There's a big challenge to keep the story short enough so that you can tell it in that time."

Some filmmakers, like Alex Berard, find the restrictions stimulating. His team, Sacred Llama Productions, was assigned a parody, and before the event, they nailed down a Newmarket setting and gathered a list of 45 locals and eight businesses willing to participate. Their film became *Losing Bigfoot*, a documentary-styled production that spins off Animal Planet's *Finding Bigfoot*.

"The whole Bigfoot idea came up because one of our team members is really into monster effects and creatures," Berard said. "We thought, what would happen if they did find Bigfoot? Where would the show go from there? That's what jump started the idea. In the film, he's a bum who hangs around town."

Finding locations ahead of time is common practice among the 48 Hour filmmakers; for her team's film, *Stalkey Puck*, Nancy West secured a spot at her wooded lake house in Barrington. Team Quest drew the horror genre.

"Horror is not my strong point. ... Luckily, our videographer, Dave Benedetti, is really into horror. He brought up two gallons of homemade fake blood that he probably had on hand for parties," West said.

Many of the filmmakers return each year to make movies, but also to meet new people.

"For me, yeah, we want to win — but for the most part, we're out there to have a good time," Berard said.

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TOP 10 Celebrity biographies

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- 1 **Diary of a Mad Diva**
By Joan Rivers
Hardcover, July 1, 2014
- 2 **Behind the Curtain: An Insider's View of Jay Leno's Tonight Show**
By Dave Berg
Hardcover, July 22, 2014
- 3 **I Didn't Come Here to Make Friends: Confessions of a Reality Show Villain**
By Courtney Robertson
Hardcover, June 2014
- 4 **Not Taco Bell Material**
By Adam Carolla
Hardcover, 2012
- 5 **Everything I Learned about Life, I Learned in Dance Class**
By Abby Lee Miller
Hardcover, July 15, 2014
- 6 **Bossypants**
By Tina Fey
Mass Market Paperback, 2013
- 7 **It**
By Alexa Chung
Hardcover, 2013
- 8 **My Lucky Life In and Out of Show Business**
By Dick Van Dyke
Hardcover, 2011
- 9 **John Wayne: The Life and Legend**
By Scott Eyman
Hardcover, April 2014
- 10 **License to Pawn: Deals, Steals, and My Life at the Gold & Silver**
By Rick Harrison, Tim Keown
Hardcover, 2011



All Fall Down,
by Jennifer Weiner
(Atria, 381 pages)

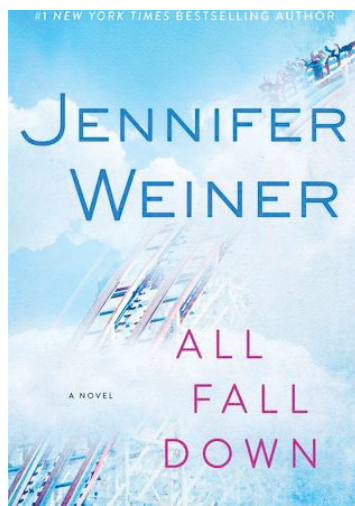
Illogically, Woody Allen comes to mind when considering the latest Jennifer Weiner novel, specifically the Woody Allen Conundrum, which is this: Can you respect and admire the man's work while simultaneously disliking the man and what he represents?

Weiner flips the question: Can you adore this savvy, smart, funny woman and still not want to read her books?

All Fall Down is Weiner's 11th novel, promoted as an "unexpected, unputdownable surprise" because its protagonist grapples drug addiction, not the more benign challenges facing her previous characters, described by The New Yorker as "lackluster boyfriends or disappointing husbands, slender mean girls, dysfunctional families, and self-esteem issues."

This is not to say that the husband of Allison Weiss doesn't disappoint, that her mother isn't dysfunctional and that Allison doesn't crumple a little when online critics say she looks like Jabba the Hut. The leading lady of *All Fall Down* matches previous Weiner protagonists in life struggles and in voice, with a fresh disability: her inability to resist the allure of the happy pills she stores in an Altoid tin.

Allison has cause to partake. She has recently caught her journalist husband exchanging suspiciously friendly emails with an attractive government worker;



her daughter is an occasionally adorable but mostly whiny, coddled, paddle-me princess; and her beloved father is descending rapidly into the empty pain of Alzheimer's disease, leaving Allison's hapless mother to navigate poorly a miserable life alone. Who wouldn't want pills?

But Allison's burgeoning career — she is a popular blogger on a website called ladies-room.com — does not

allow for a private disintegration. As her daily tottering morphs into a full stumble, she orders pills illegally off the Internet, then "borrows" money from her employer in order to pay for the stash. The title's a spoiler: All will fall down.

Moms who perch precariously on that thin wire that separates "having it all" from "having it all disappear" will relate, as will anyone with a Percocet or Vicodin predilection. And Weiner is a pro in her genre, particularly adept in the dialogue of children, and in describing her characters, as in one who "was not wearing linty black leggings from Target and whose eyebrows had enjoyed the recent attention of tweezers" and another, a "tiny, curled shrimp of a woman" wearing a massive pink cardigan with pink velour pants, with a "veined hand" that trembled. Weiner's Princeton education waves enthusiastically, and often.

The problem is, if you're not particularly interested in the everyday travails of mothers, the narrative too often drags, victim of the subject matter. New mothers, for

example, might be enchanted by a scene in which Allison play-acts the role of her "highly sensitive" (some might say "bratty") daughter's clothes, inducing them to "fight" for Ellie's attention.

She pointed at the dresses. "Make them fight!"

"Pick me!" I squeaked, shaking one of the dresses so it looked like it was having a seizure. "No, me!" Using both of my hands and skills that would have impressed a puppeteer, I maneuvered the dresses, making them wrestle and punch. Finally, Ellie pointed at the tie-dyed dress. "I will wear she to school this morning, and she" — an imperious nod toward the purple one — "when I get home for my snack."

Some people, mainly mothers, will love this. But others might just want to slap someone; whether it's the mother or daughter will not necessarily be clear.

In The New Yorker's January profile, Weiner comes across as a wildly likeable, uber talented champion of women, confident while self-deprecating, chicly sardonic without being mean. When the National Book Award winning author Jonathan Franzen, in an interview in The Guardian, made derisive reference to "Jennifer Weiner-ish self-promotion," she responded by putting "Engaging in Jennifer Weiner-ish self-promotion" on her Twitter profile. She has said, "At this point in my career I could write the Odyssey and people would say, 'Chick lit in Greece.'"

This is a woman you want on speed dial, even if not on your bedside table. But can you separate a woman from her art? Can you love Jennifer Weiner without slavish devotion to her books? Resoundingly, the answer is yes. On Woody Allen, check back in a couple of years.

B — Jennifer Graham 🍷

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A weekly recommendation from the Concord Public Library

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by Torben Kuhlmann, 2014 (Fiction, grades 2-6)



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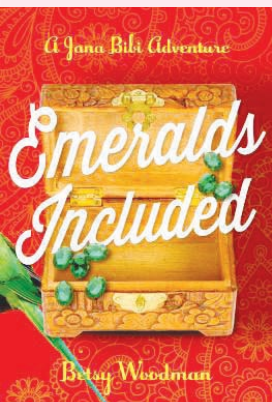
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Author best known for: His work as a writer for The New York Times Magazine and the novel *America Anonymous: Eight Addicts in Search of a Life*

One-sentence review: "Comparisons to John Steinbeck's *Travels with Charley* are obvious, but this is an entirely different and equally rewarding piece of work that expands with each page without losing its narrative thread or the reader's interest." — Publishers Weekly

Book Report



• **Betsy Woodman's new book:** The New Hampshire writer has added a third to her series featuring her favorite fortune teller, Jana Bibi. In the first, *Jana Bibi's Excellent Fortunes*, Jana saves her fictional Indian town, Hamara Nagar; in the second, *Love Potion Number 10*, she foils an international bird-smuggling ring. The third offers a different kind of challenge: planning and preparing for her son's wedding. In *Emeralds Included*, Jana is determined to repair her old, rickety house before her son and future daughter-and-law visit, which strains Jana emotionally and financially. She relies on her most prized material possessions — a collection of real emeralds — to help her through. Woodman talks about her new book at the Bachelier Library, 12 Chase Hill Road, East Andover, 735-5333, on Friday, July 18, at 7 p.m.; at Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord, 224-0562, on Thursday, July 24, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.; and at the Toadstool Bookshop, 352-8815, 222 West St., Keene, on Saturday, July 26, 1-2:30 p.m.

• **Three writers, three Toadstools, one day:** Lincoln MacVeagh signs and discusses *Paisley Mischief*, a modern-day drawing room comedy set in an exclusive men's club on Park Avenue, on Saturday, July 19, at 11 a.m., at the Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough. Then, Roy Goodman signs *Angel Play*, also a debut, on Saturday, July 19, at 2 p.m., at the Toadstool Bookshop at 614 Nashua St., Lorden Plaza, Milford. This book follows a missing teenager, a severely beaten taxi driver, a father and estranged wife during a crime set in 1980s Boston and New Hampshire. Travel south and Trisha Moriarty signs copies of *The Secrets She Kept* at the Keene location, 222 West St., Saturday, July 19, at 3 p.m. The book is about a woman discovering the truth about her mother; according to the bookstore website, some elements are autobiographical.

— Kelly Sennott

Books Author events

• **ROY GOODMAN** talks about latest novel, *Angel Play*, Sat., July 19, at 2 p.m., at Toadstool Bookshop, 614 Nashua St., Lorden Plaza, Milford. Call 673-1734, visit toadbooks.com, email books@mtoad.com.

• **LINCOLN MACVEAGH** visits The Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough, Sat., July 19, at 11 a.m., to talk about *Paisley Mischief*.

• **SUNDAY GRANITE STATE AUTHORS SERIES** readings, discussions, book signings by Hobbleshush authors at LaBelle Winery, 345 Route 101, Amherst, RSVP at tinyurl.com/GSAatLaBelle. Reception at 3 p.m., reading at 3:30 p.m., author meet-and-greet at 4:15 p.m., free. Tom

Fitzgerald presents *Poor Richard's Lament* on Sun., July 20.

• **LUCIE BRYAR** talks about *Exploring Southern New Hampshire* on Tues., July 22, at 7 p.m. at Water Street Bookstore, 125 Water St., Exeter. Visit waterstreetbooks.com.

• **TORY HILL AUTHORS SERIES** at the Warner Town Hall on Main Street, Warner, throughout the summer, with events starting at 7 p.m. Sponsored by Warner Historical Society, showcasing locally and nationally known authors. Chris Schadler speaks on Sat., July 26; Bill Littlefield speaks on Sat., Aug. 9; Mike Dickerman speaks on Sat., Aug. 23. Tickets \$10 each. Visit toryhillauthorsseries.com.

• **BRENDAN DUBOIS** talks about newest Lewis Cole mystery

Fatal Harbor Thurs., July 17, at 7 p.m., at Mary E. Bartlett Public Library, 22 Dalton Road, Brentwood, 642-3355; Tues., Sept. 9, at 7 p.m., at RiverRun Bookstore, 142 Fleet St., Portsmouth, 431-2100.

• **JON KELLER AND ABI MAXWELL** siblings and novelists speak on Thurs., July 24, at 7 p.m., real-life siblings speak about writing, family, New England and their books, *Of Sea and Cloud* and *Lake People*, respectively, at Water Street Bookstore, 125 Water St., Exeter.

• **BETSY WOODMAN** returns to Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord, on Thurs., July 24, at 7 p.m., to talk about her newest Jana Bibi book, *The Bird Markets of Paris*. Visit gibsonsbookstore.com, call 224-0562. She also speaks at Toadstool Bookshop, 222 West St., Keene, on Sat., July 26, at 1 p.m.

• **DAN SZCZESNY** talks about his new book, *The Nepal Chronicles*, on Sat., July 26, at 2 p.m., at Toadstool Bookshop, 614 Nashua St., Lorden Plaza, Milford.

Lectures and discussions

• **WHAT'S UP IN TONIGHT'S SKY** at the Derry Public Library, 64 E. Broadway, Derry, Mon., July 21, at 6:30 p.m. Call 432-6140. Presentation by the New Hampshire Astronomical Society.

• **CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION** at Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4610, Tues., July 22, at 7 p.m. Presentation by criminalist Shane Zeman. Visit nashualibrary.org, email carol.eyman@nashualibrary.org, call 589-4610.

• **EAT IT UP: FOOD TALKS!** Mon., July 28, at 7:30 p.m., at Seacoast Repertory Theatre, 125 Bow St., Portsmouth. Session 1 with Evan Mallet, chef/owner of Black Trumpet. Tickets \$12. Call 433-4472, visit seacoastrep.org. To be a five-part event, running monthly through Dec. 2014.

• **DEBUNKING OLD WIVES' TALES** program at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4610, Tues., July 29, at 7 p.m. Dr. Noemi Custodia-Loria, assistant dean at Northern Essex Community College, presents the real answers to questions like: is it dangerous to hold your sneeze? Does cracking your knuckles cause arthritis? Does eating carrots really improve your vision? Free. Visit nashualibrary.org.

• **THE ART & SCIENCE OF HOMEBREWING** presented by Ed Ramshaw, president of Concord Homebrewers and founder/owner of Blue Line Draft Systems, at the Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord, Wed., July 30, at 7 p.m. Demonstration on steps from brew kettle to bottle.

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Dawn of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13)

Chimp leader Caesar attempts to forge peace among all apes, both his brethren and the remaining humans, in *Dawn of the Planet of the Apes*, a sequel to the 2011 film *Rise of the Planet of the Apes*.

Humanity has had a rough 10 years since the events of the last movie. The flu spread in the end credits sequence has wiped out all but a small portion of the population who happen to have a genetic immunity. In the last few years, Caesar (Andy Serkis) and his large ape community living in the redwood forest outside of San Francisco have seen no sign of the humans. Father of son Blue Eyes (Nick Thurston) and a new baby boy born at the beginning of the movie to his mate Cornelia (Judy Greer), Caesar is proud of what he and his friends have built. They have a small village, fortified and somewhat protected from the outside world, and they can think about the future.

But the apes aren't the only ones thinking about the future. A small band of humans in San Francisco hopes to turn the power back on and attempt to rebuild their society. To that end, Malcolm (Jason Clarke) has led a group of people into the forest to repair a hydroelectric dam. But when one of the men, Carver (Kirk Acevedo), stumbles upon Blue Eyes and his friend Ash (Doc Shaw) walking the forest, this first encounter between man and ape does not go well. Threatened, Carver takes a shot at Koba, and soon the apes are ready for war. Koba (Toby Kebbell), Ash's father and Caesar's close friend and lieutenant, wants to attack. A former lab animal, Koba has deep hatred of people. Caesar fears that a war with the humans will put ape lives and accomplishments at risk.



Dawn of the Planet of the Apes

Of course while the apes have Koba, the humans have some hotheads too. While Malcolm and his girlfriend Ellie (Keri Russell) lobby for peaceful negotiation with the apes, leader Dreyfus (Gary Oldman) wants the power back on at any cost — and if that means mass simian destruction, so be it. And then there are the people who fulfill the “blind hatred” component of any culture-versus-culture showdown. Because the pandemic flu was said to have been spread by apes, it is called “simian flu” and Carver blames the apes for all that has happened. With his soft spot for humans due to his upbringing and his desire for progress, Caesar works carefully with Malcolm to try to keep war from breaking out between the species.

Or, I guess, between the genera, to be technical.

Your move, Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Andy Serkis, long an expert at bringing life to CGI characters, has turned in perhaps his most nuanced and emotion-rich guy-inside-a-motion-capture-suit

performance yet. He makes you root for the chimps, or at least for the thoughtful, idealistic Caesar and his family. And then there's Toby Kebbell, who pulls off, in two scenes, the really awesome task of having Koba “play monkey” to placate some humans — doing the hands in the air, the raspberry, the exaggerated goofiness. The character changes enough, even in the facial expression and the eyes, that we can see what he's doing, what he's thinking even. There is even a look of disgust when humans have bought his performance. There's your arts and sciences right there. I don't know that there is a convincing argument that it's any less a performance just because the “make-up” in this case is digital and not rubber.

Maybe some day, from the perch of 20 years from now, when movies happen around us, Holodeck-style, and we all wear special gloves that let us reach out and touch the scenery, *Dawn of the Planet of the Apes* will look dated. But for now, *Dawn* reminds me of how I felt watching last year's *Grav-*

ity. The effects were so good that I had to remind myself that what I was watching wasn't actually shot in space. Here, it takes effort to remember that these aren't real monkeys. The movie does a good job of distinguishing the monkeys from each other and of conveying their relationships with gesture and expression as well as dialogue. And, the impressive part, all of this happens in a way that isn't stupid. And it could have so easily been stupid. See, for example the 2001 Tim Burton *Planet of the Apes*.

Dawn makes us care — about the individual characters and the grander implications for both societies. It is a fun variation on the dystopian story: the humans are at the end of their civilization and the apes are at the beginning of theirs. The movie does a nice job of playing with these themes, of juxtaposing tribalism and jealousy and protectiveness in apes and in humans. This is still a summer tentpole — still at least 30 minutes too long, still a little too heavy in applying the big thumping score — but it is remarkably well done all around. **B+**

Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of sci-fi violence and action, and brief strong language. Directed by Matt Reeves and written by Mark Bomback and Rick Jaffa & Amanda Silver, Dawn of the Planet of the Apes is two hours and 10 minutes long and distributed by 20th Century Fox.

Begin Again (R)

Two music-minded people, recently set adrift both personally and professionally, team up on an album in *Begin Again*, an earnest but charming movie written and directed by John Carney of *Once* fame.

The movie starts with Gretta (Keira Knightley) taking the stage at a small bar to play guitar and sing a song she's writ-

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Opening soon:

July 18: *Sex Tape* (R) Jason Segel and Cameron Diaz reteam in this comedy; *The Purge: Anarchy* (R) Last year's horror movie gets a sequel; *Planes: Fire & Rescue* (PG) Last year's animated offshoot of the Cars universe gets a sequel.

July 25: *Hercules* Brett Ratner directs, Dwayne Johnson stars; *Lucy* (R) Scarlett Johansson stars in this action movie written and directed by Luc Besson.

Now playing:

Blended (PG) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore.

Somewhere in all the uncomfortable Africa humor and the odd Hooters product placement is a romantic comedy for the combined family that could be something, with a few rewrites. **C-**

Deliver Us From Evil (R)

Eric Bana, Joel McHale. This dark but not suspenseful horror film takes the most cliched elements of cop drama and exorcism movies to create an exercise in tedium. **D+**

**Edge of Tomorrow* (PG-13)

Tom Cruise, Emily Blunt. This surprisingly smart, funny and satisfying sci-fi features Cruise as a believably reluctant hero who relives one 24-hour period over and over again during a crucial battle between humans and aliens. **B+**

**The Fault in Our Stars* (PG-13)

Shailene Woodley, Ansel Elgort. The popular YA novel about a teen with cancer and her romance with a fellow patient is obvious but charming, sweet and deeply sad. **B**

Godzilla (PG-13)

Ken Watanabe, Bryan Cranston. Godzilla movie could have used significantly more Godzilla and about half as much human exposition. For a series of really beautiful shots and the too-rare moments of monster fights, **B-**

Heaven Is For Real (PG)

Greg Kinnear, Kelly Reilly. Based on the hugely popular book, this movie gives us the surprisingly empty tale of a

young boy who nearly dies and visits heaven. **C-**

How To Train Your Dragon 2 (PG)

Voices of Jay Baruchel, Cate Blanchett. The relatively charmless 2010 animated feature gets a sterile and charmless sequel. **C**

Jersey Boys (R)

John Lloyd Young, Christopher Walken. This Clint Eastwood-directed Frankie Valli biopic never quite hits the right note. **C**

Maleficent (PG)

Angelina Jolie, Elle Fanning. Find yourself a lookbook of Jolie's evil queen wardrobe and you'll see all you need to of this *Sleeping Beauty* remake. **C-**

A Million Ways To Die In The West (R)

Seth MacFarlane, Charlize Theron. A flat riff on the Western. **C-**

Neighbors (R)

Seth Rogen, Rose Byrne. Plus Zac Efron, who is surprisingly deft at the movie's blend of broad comedy and existential angst. Rogen and Byrne are the homeowners suddenly faced with living next to a fraternity. **B-**

Tammy (R)

Melissa McCarthy, Susan Sarandon. A down-on-her-luck woman decides to hit the road with her grandmother in this disappointing comedy from McCarthy and her real-life husband Ben Falcone. **C-**

Transformers: Age of Extinction (PG-13)

Mark Wahlberg, Stanley Tucci. Michael Bay attempts to jump-start the franchise with this repetitive, predictable but Shia-LaBeouf-free sequel. **D**

**22 Jump Street*

Channing Tatum, Jonah Hill. The stupid-funny comedy from 2012 gets an equally stupid-funny sequel. **B+**

X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG-13)

James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender. The overall universe continuity is confusing and the movie doesn't quite have the humor or the punch of the better *X-Men* but, overall, it is solid superhero fun. **B**



Begin Again

ten, “A Step You Can’t Take Back” — an Aimee Mann-ish song about contemplating stepping in front of a subway train. It’s dark but also an actually kind of cheery little song but not exactly good bar-crowd fare. Getting drunk with the last of his pocket money, Dan (Mark Ruffalo), a record executive recently ousted from the indie label he helped to form, hears the song and perks up.

The movie shows us the scene three times — first as the movie opens and then as the culmination to the backstory of how Gretta and Dan each got to this point. Gretta came to New York City with Dave (Adam Levine), her musical partner and her long-term boyfriend who has broken into stardom thanks to a solo project. The record contract and its associated obligations and temptations quickly break them up and soon Gretta is crashing at the tiny apartment of a friend and fellow musician, Steve (James Corden). It’s Steve, a busker who appears to be running the open mike night, who drags her to the bar where Dan sees her.

Dan, meanwhile, has that day been fired by his longtime partner, Saul (Mos Def), in a confrontation that took place in front of Violet (Hailee Steinfeld), Dan’s teenage daughter. Dan, who has spent a lot of time drowning his sorrows over the collapse of his marriage to Violet’s mother, Miriam (Catherine Keener), has a difficult relationship with Violet. Both Dan and Gretta are, therefore, at a serious life lowpoint when they meet. Gretta isn’t interested in Dan’s A&R promises but he eventually sells her on the idea of making an album by gathering musicians and recording wherever they can, in locations around New York City.

If I had to boil down this movie’s operating principle to one sentence, it might be something like: “music is awesome.” While the story follows Gretta and Dan and the way they deal with a crossroads in their personal and professional lives, the movie itself is an ode to music — listening to it and making it and how both can improve one’s quality of life. A scene in the back half of the movie that would, in any other movie, be a sex scene is one of two characters listen-

ing to each other’s iPods together — this is my guilty pleasure, this is a great love song, etc. Not unlike the iPod commercials that feature the Pixies’ “Gigantic,” *Begin Again* gets to the heart of what music does — how listening to it can change a moment or how making it can change a mood. Scenes of Gretta and the musicians playing their songs which could have been hopelessly hokey are, well a little bit hopelessly hokey, but are also sweet and genuine in a way that lets you forgive the hokeyness.

Or maybe the operating principle of this movie is “make art, make art,” which was the capper to the 2007 Oscar speech made by Glen Hansard, who co-wrote the music to *Once*, the last big movie written and directed by Carney. Similarly to *Chef*, Jon Favreau’s food truck opus from earlier this summer, *Begin Again* is a joyful case for making stuff. Making stuff can make you happy, make you whole and show you the way — an argument the movie makes in a scene where Gretta and Steve, a little tipsy, write a song about her feelings about Dave that she sings, “Gigantic” ad-style, into her iPhone. The most amazing part of the scene is that, while the romantic heartache is a part of what Knightley’s doing as an actor, I actually think what the movie is doing is highlighting not the emotion between Gretta and Dave but the creation of the song by Gretta and Steve. The song doesn’t move the story along so much as the story gives an excuse for the movie to show us what a song can do.

In such a situation, the actors’ primary job seems to be not getting in the way of what the movie is doing. And, while “not getting in the way” probably isn’t how they’d frame it, that is what everybody does very well here. Knightley and Ruffalo in particular strike a good balance, giving their characters depth without turning them into quirky caricatures.

Begin Again is a solid film that, like a good song, hooks you in and holds your attention. **A-**

Rated R for language. Written and directed by John Carney, Begin Again is an hour and 44 minutes long and distributed by The Weinstein Company. 🍷

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Captain America and Billy Elliot battle their way out of the steerage section of a train that carries the last remnant of life on Earth in *Snowpiercer*, a dystopian action movie from writer-director Joon-ho Bong of *The Host* and *Mother* fame.

Some 17 years ago, an attempt to slow global warming backfired and pushed the Earth into an ice age that quickly killed off most life on the planet. The remaining humans — and, it appears, just enough plant and animal life to feed them — ride on a massive train designed by an unseen, almost god-like inventor named Wilford. He keeps the eternal engine running, says the woman who shows up to keep the train's lower class in line. Mason (Tilda Swinton) tells the rag-covered, constantly hungry denizens of the end cars that they should be grateful for their Jell-O-looking black protein bars and not try to resist when, for example, people show up to take a few children once in a while. But Curtis (Chris Evans) isn't having it. He and his young friend Edgar (Jamie Bell) are organizing a rebellion that will, they hope, get them all the way to the front car where they can explain their demands for better living conditions to Wilford. With the mentoring of Gilliam (John Hurt) and a plan devised with help from a mysterious informant, Curtis and Edgar storm the prison car to break out Namgoong Minsoo (Kang-ho Song), the man who knows how to unlock the doors between each of the train's cars. In exchange for a drug, Namgoong and his daughter Yona (Ah-sung Ko) go along with Curtis' group — which includes Tanya (Octavia Spencer), who is searching for her recently taken son — in their travels through the upper class cars on their way to Wilford.

Snowpiercer the movie, like the train with its aquarium car and sauna car, is an interesting collection of strangeness. Grit-tiness bumps up against a slightly campy dark fairy tale quality; very stylized violence (in particular, an extended fight scene featuring a small army of ax-wielding men in ski hats) occasionally results in genuine earned emotion; and socioeconomic commentary shares the screen with very comic-book sci-fi nuttiness. (The movie is based on a comic book called *Le Transperceneige*, the English translation



of which is a two-volume graphic novel called *Snowpiercer*). Tilda Swinton is all by herself an embodiment of the movie's blend of tones — she is a terrifying enforcer, but, with her giant glasses and goofy dentures, she also has a cartoon villain quality.

For the most part, this dots-with-stripes kind of clashing of themes and ideas works. The movie could be shorter — though, being a good 30 minutes too long is the rule rather than the exception in most of your summer action movies and late-year Oscar hopefuls. The movie's own internal logic didn't always hold together for me, but it held together enough that I could buy into what I was watching. For me, the movie's biggest flaw was that it lacked a kind of tightness, and not just in terms of runtime but also in keeping up the momentum of the quest. As much as I found the world-building interesting, the movie on the balance probably needed a little more discipline when it came to spending time on the details of the world of the train.

This meandering quality, while a little bit of a drag on the action, isn't a fatal flaw. *Snowpiercer* is still a fascinating entry in the world of dystopian action movies. It is the third in a recent spate of after-the-end-of-the-world movies I've seen (*The Rover* and this week's *Dawn of the Planet of the Apes*) and, not quite as bleak and hopeless as *The Rover* but not as Hollywood as *Dawn*, *Snowpiercer* travels somewhere in a quirky, better-than-average middle ground. **B**

Rated R for violence, language and drug content. Directed by Joon-ho Bong with a screenplay by Joon-ho Bong and Kelly Masterson, Snowpiercer is distributed by Radius-TWC and is two hours and six minutes long. Snowpiercer is available via Comcast OnDemand, iTunes, Amazon and other streaming outlets and is screening in area theaters.

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• **Begin Again** (R, 2014) Thurs., July 17, at 2, 5:30 & 7:50 p.m.; Fri., July 18, at 1, 3:20, 5:40 & 8 p.m.; Sat., July 19, at 1, 3:20, 5:40 & 8 p.m.; Sun., July 20, at 1, 3:20 & 5:40 p.m.; Mon., July 21, at 5:30 & 7:50 p.m.; Tues., July 22, at 2, 5:30 & 7:50 p.m.; Wed., July 23, at 5:30 & 7:50 p.m.; Thurs., July 24, at 2, 5:30 & 7:50 p.m.

• **Nowpiercer** (R, 2014) Sun., July 20, at 1:30 & 5:50 p.m.; Mon., July 21, at 5:30 p.m.; Tues., July 22, at 2:10 & 5:30 p.m.; Wed., July 23, at 5:30 p.m.; & Thurs., July 24, at 2:10 & 5:30 p.m.

• **IDA** (PG-13, 2014) Sun., July 20, at 4 p.m.; Mon., July 21, at 7:45 p.m.; Tues., July 22, at 7:45 p.m.; & Thurs., July 24, at 7:45 p.m.

• **Cinema Under the Stars** free events for family at dusk around Concord, **Duck Soup** (NR, 1933) in front of the theater on Main Street on Fri., July 17; The **Sting** (PG, 1973) in front of the theater on Main Street on Sat., July 18.

• **In a Lonely Place** (NR, 1950) Wed., July 23, at 8 p.m.
• **Batman** (PG-13, 1989) Wed., July 23, at 6:30 p.m.
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• **The Hustler** (1961) Sat., July 19, at 4:30 p.m.
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• **Southern fried:** Playing an amalgamation of styles, **The Southern Belles** are hard to pin down. One wag likened them to a prize-fight between a honky-tonk band and a blues band refereed by George Clinton. Throw in a bit of jazz fusion and Phish jam band sensibilities, stir the pot and the Virginia quartet cooks up a tasty stew indeed. See **The Southern Belles** on Thursday, July 17, at 9 p.m. at Thirsty Moose Taphouse, 21 Congress St., Portsmouth. See thesouthernbellesmusic.com.

• **Just folks:** Based in the Merrimack Valley, **Tyler Road** is a good-time band playing for the joy of making music, though their anti-Monsanto ditty “You Can’t Bioengineer Love” is certainly purposeful. Dubbing its style folkgrass, the much-loved seven-piece party group will appear at pig roasts and graduations if asked. See **Tyler Road** on Friday, July 18, at 8 p.m. at Pitman’s Freight Room, 94 New Salem St., Laconia. Tickets are \$12 for the BYOB event. See pitmansfreightroom.com.

• **Texas flower:** An English-themed tavern gets a southern accent as **Andrea Marie & the Magnolia Band** performs. The Austin singer evokes country classics like Emmylou Harris and Patsy Cline as well as Sheryl Crow and Stevie Nicks — she covers Fleetwood Mac too. Her ManchVegas show is part of an East Coast summer tour. See **Andrea Marie & the Magnolia Band** on Saturday, July 19, at 9 p.m. at British Beer Company, 1071 S. Willow St., Manchester. See britishbeer.com.

• **Seal the deal:** Named after a Pacific sea lion that spurred a spiritual epiphany, **Lobo Marino** is a mix of tribal, folk and world music featuring harmonium, drum and other unique sounds — including the low growl emitted by its namesake. The band melds American roots with lessons gleaned from world travels. See **Lobo Marino** on Sunday, July 20, at 2 p.m. at Jam Factory, Thrifty’s Secondhand Stuff, 1015 Candia Road, Manchester. Tickets \$5, see lobomarinomusic.com.

• **Ice cream hop:** Watch a river sunset and enjoy **The BBQ Boys**, a mix of old-time country, bluegrass, blues, Celtic, classic rock and Appalachian music. The band covers anything from Ozark Mountain Daredevils to the Yardbirds. The quintet began in a Vermont barbecue joint they all worked in — hence the name. See **The BBQ Boys** on Monday, July 21, at 9 p.m. at Heritage Farm Ice Cream & Restaurant, 163 Pawtucket Blvd., Lowell, Mass. See heritagefarmicecream.com.

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The Market Days Music Festival features a solid array of local talent performing on multiple stages over three days, capped by a Saturday afternoon showcase from musicians affiliated with Rocking Horse Studio. Dusty Gray Band, Rachel Vogelzang, Tristan Omand and Mike Morris are among the performers appearing that recorded at the Pittsfield facility over the past year.

The band of the moment, though, is Pat & the Hats, hot on the heels of its debut album, *Fake It Till You Make A Hit*, done with Rocking Horse producer Brian Coombes. Patrik Gochez and his mates in the Hats — Brenden Harisiades and Bobby Rice — met Coombes in September 2013 at the last studio showcase.

The record is both hook-filled and impossible to pigeonhole, a work spanning the rock spectrum, from the raucous opener “Daddy’s Song” to the jangle pop of “Wake Up and Fly.” There are moments both soulful and playful — “Love and Abandon” and “Woah Mama” respectively. Ultimately, every track stands apart on this anti-concept album (though the “Hey Jude, Part 2” chorus of the disc-closing “Time Spent Waiting”

Pat & the Hats. Courtesy photo.

gives an indication of where their hearts lie).

With the addition of Scott Solsky on guitars, keyboards and vocals and Brittany

Gochez (Patrik’s sister) singing backup, the trio is now a five-piece. Coombes helped out during the sessions, playing some of his



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favorite gizmos — Therevox, Moog Taurus Pedals, Optigan. Rocking Horse studio band members were also drafted, along with a big name from Boston: Cars keys man Greg Hawkes, who added signature licks to four of the 13 tracks.

During a listening party, Gochez noted that the songs are both new and old, some from over seven years ago. "It's scary, because you're always in love with the new thing you've written," he said. "But these guys were able to breathe new life in to what I sometimes thought was a ghost."

Gochez relished making his first studio album with a band — 2012's *Heavy Loader* was a solo effort.

"I'll enjoy a great film or a great dish alone," he said, "but to share the experience with those you love and respect magnifies the excitement by 10."

Coombes reported that the sessions are among the most good-natured he'd ever done. At one point engineer Josh Kimball wondered aloud if they were being punk'd by the happy campers.

"They are good, talented, confident and open-minded," he said.

Newest member Solsky echoed Kimball's sentiments.

"No egos, unlike a lot of studio sessions

where people are protective of turf," he said. He began sitting in toward the end of last year, giving the already potent group a new dimension. They made a name playing live; at one of their first festival appearances, a local scenester proclaimed, "They went from unknown to the best band in the state in one day."

He's not the only one singing praise to Pat & the Hats — they made the Best of 2014 Hippo readers' poll and a few other local top five lists, in addition to playing the local headliner spot at this year's Granite State Music Festival. Upcoming high-profile gigs include the three-day Campfire festival at the end of August, where they'll share the stage with Charles Bradley, Lake Street Dive, and Delta Spirit. There are a few more in development.

Response to the new record is encouraging. "The immediate future is looking busy, [which is] some indication of how it's being received," said Gochez, adding that the stream of kudos is nice. "That being said, you know us — an award for best new band means we have to actually *be* the best new band, so we relish in our accomplishments for a few minutes ... maybe have a few drinks and then get back to tightening up." 🍷

All-day music

Lalapalala Festival brings together local artists

By Michael Witthaus
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Rock bands and art, including photographs, dreamcatchers and pointillism pot nugget portraits, will share space with works created on the spot — face painting, body hennas, tastefully deployed cans of spray paint and hula hoops — at the Stone Church in Newmarket during the Lalapalala Music and Art Festival on Saturday, July 19.

The indoors, all-day-and-most-of-the-night gathering of local artists was first held in December 2012, the result of cabin fever and frustration.

Event creator Lucas Perry never envisioned it as more than a one-off.

"I thought it was a way to help local artists to show their work without having a fee to participate," he said recently. "It's ridiculous how many cool people you meet and how many creative people there are — but there is not a proper outlet for it. That's why I created Lalapalala."

At the time, it wasn't a big vision. Perry was unemployed, crashing on friends' couches and a few weeks away from leaving town for a spell to find work, maybe on the West Coast. The first event buoyed the art and music scene, though, so Perry stuck around and did another before heading west.

His friend Stefan Trogisch took over and



Lucas Perry. Courtesy photo.

Lalapalala Music & Arts Festival

When: Saturday, July 19, at noon

Where: The Stone Church Meeting House, 5 Granite St., Newmarket

Tickets: \$5 (children 12 and under free)

More: facebook.com/Lalapalala

carried it on until he returned in the fall of 2013.

"I thought that was really great," said Perry. "Now it just keeps on rolling, a creature all its own."

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running from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There is live music throughout — instrumental rockers Are We Elephants? and psychedelic folk band People Like You are among the day performers, with pirate punk rockers Jonee Earthquake Band, funksters Badwolf and The Raunchy Randos — which Perry fronts — closing out the night.

The all-ages show becomes 21 and up at 9 p.m., but the mix of performers remains consistent throughout.

"All the bands are cool and equal in value," said Perry. "There is no difference in the genres, because it's all kind of mixed up ... which I did intentionally to make it more interesting and get in a lot of different styles — but there's a lot of rock and roll and a lot of stuff derivative of that."

Poetry was added to the mix a few months back. Jonathan Kiper and Jonathan Stoker read during the day, with Perry, Emma Bovill and Tyler Burdwood of the Boston band Bellwire (which is also performing) in the evening.

The family-friendly portion of the event is attracting lots of youngsters. In part, it's attributable to free entry for guests 12 and under, but fun activities keep them coming back.

"At the last one, we did group drawing [and] a bunch of little kiddies were going crazy on the stage," Perry said. "We're going to do that again this year because we don't want a bunch of children running around. It makes everyone's time a lot better."

For Perry, the success of Lalapalala is less about the number of folks willing to pay five bucks to groove to local bands, check out and maybe buy a painting, piece of jewelry, painted pot — or, in the case of pointillist Melissa King, a painting of pot.

"I think the best thing is just making sure the vibe is good the whole time," he said. "My focus is not getting a big crowd there, but making sure everyone is having a great time — but it is important to get a lot of people there." 🍷

Silicon Valley rock stars

Moonalice plays a pair of NH festivals



Moonalice. Courtesy photo.

By Michael Witthaus
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With ties to Hendrix, the Dead, Starship, Quicksilver and other psychedelic standard-bearers, Moonalice evokes rock and roll past. But in many more ways, the Marin County jam band is of the future. Moonalice began in 2007 when Bono — yes, that Bono — rang up Roger McNamee with a plan to transform the music business.

Though the term is tossed around a lot, McNamee is a Silicon Valley rock star — truly. He plays over 100 Moonalice shows a year, but he's also a frequent guest on CNBC, a savvy venture capitalist. Since the first IBM PC, he's been integral to the success of countless tech companies — hence the phone call from the U2 front man.

See Moonalice

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Where: 46 Sand Hill Road, Croydon
When: Friday, July 18, Saturday, July 19, and Sunday, July 20
More: nhhempfest.com
Tickets: \$70-\$170 at ticketbud.com

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Where: Dodge Farm, Bath
When: Thursday, July 24, through Sunday, July 27
More: jerryjam.com/2014
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"Bono called and said, 'Roger, I want to buy UMG [Universal Music Group].' For a variety of reasons, I was intrigued," McNamee said in a recent phone interview.

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The deal didn't happen, but it led to the formation of Elevation Partners, named after the U2 song. The new company began working on Project Independence, an effort "designed to give artists the same kind of balance sheet benefits music labels have. It was a very clever idea, and very threatening."

After three years of negotiating, "one of the lawyers gets to one of the artists and blows the thing up," McNamee said. Producer T-Bone Burnett, a consultant to the project, was appalled.

"He said, 'This is the most ridiculous thing I've ever seen. We're going to start a band and show these people how to do music.'"

The affable 58-year-old McNamee has played music all his life. He still regrets breaking up the band he and his buddies formed at Yale. He arrived at Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business semi-dejected, finding a residency at Peter Christian's Tavern in Hanover.

"I played every Tuesday night there, come rain, shine or exams," he said. "It was a conspicuous act of civil disobedience."

After grad school, he went to work at T. Rowe Price and found himself organizing pickup bands at trade shows.

"That was the single most important differentiator for me early on, the ability to play music," said McNamee. "That's how I met Paul Allen of Microsoft, Phillippe Kahn of Borland, all the development people from Apple."

When Jerry Garcia died, McNamee began advising the Grateful Dead on technology strategy and started to meet real musicians. The loose jams evolved into the Flying Other Brothers, a band including prolific sideman and ex-Starship member Pete Sears and guitarist Barry Sless, from Phil Lesh's post-Dead band.

When Burnett made a proposal, he was working on an Americana series and offered to produce the band. He wanted a complete reboot, however. "No Flying Other Brothers ... new music, a new launch," McNamee said. Working in the studio was "the full T-Bone experience ... an education and a half."

The resulting music was almost impossible to reproduce live, however.

"We jokingly refer to it as *Dark Side of the Moon* — he's really big on rolling thunder sound," said McNamee.

So Moonalice pared from seven members to four to become a touring band.

"T-Bone did two beautiful things: He forced us to get rid of the garage roots and start at a much higher level [and] did the enormous favor of getting us out of the house and on to the road."

Unfortunately, the eponymous Moonalice debut was roundly ignored. So they harnessed the Internet to make an end run around the industry and succeeded wildly. "It's 4:20 Somewhere" is closing in on five million downloads, a record for a direct-to-fan song. The MoonTunes™ streams every show the band performs.

Burnett suggested the band have a backstory. To that end, free posters drawn by artists like David Singer and Stanley Mouse are given away at every show. They're accompanied by "according to Moonalice legend" blurbs written by McNamee's alter ego Chubby Wombat Moonalice.

Fiercely devoted fans follow them like Deadheads, and social media played a big role.

"The funny thing was, T-Bone said we were going to teach the music industry a lesson, but we didn't know what to do," said McNamee. "I didn't realize we could use Facebook and Twitter that way. ... It's really fun to get stuff like that right." 🍌

Nightlife Music, Comedy & Parties

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• **JOSH LOGAN / ACOUSTIC TRIO** at MacGregor Park (East Broadway, Derry 432-6136) on Thursday, July 17 at 7 p.m. Finalist from team Christina is making a special appearance back in Derry after his resounding success on *The Voice*.

• **PONY EXPRESS** at Bandstand (NH Route 11, Alton Bay 875-0109) on Saturday, July 19, at 7 p.m. Country and western, part of the Alton Summer Concert Series. Free.

• **WYLD NIGHTZ** at Town Common Gazebo (7 School Street, Hebron 744-3335) on Saturday, July 19 at 6 p.m. In the event of inclement weather the concert will be held at the Hebron Fire Station.

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• **SUMMER SIZZLE FEST** at North Main Music School (28 Charon Ave., Nashua 505-4282) on Sunday, July 20 at 12 p.m. Live music will be provided by North Main Music's student bands, some of whom are veterans of the Nashua area live music scene. Fundraiser for Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua.

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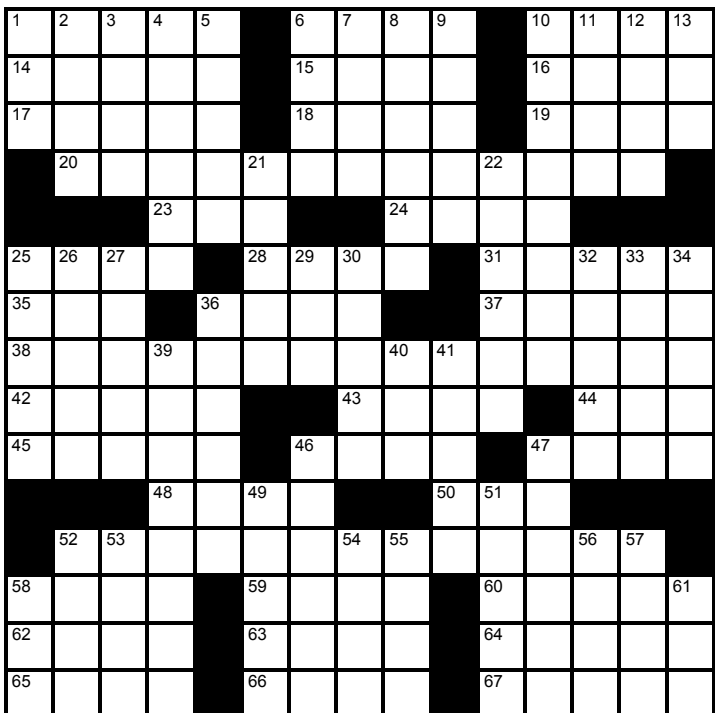
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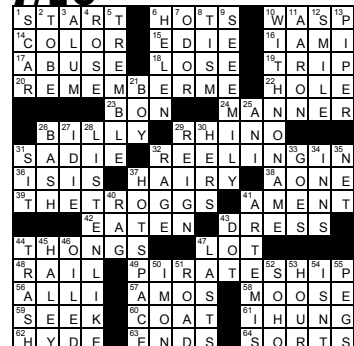
Across

1. "Was the son of a preacher man, yes ___" (2,3)
6. 80s Starship ballad
10. "Where you drink champagne and it tastes just like cherry ___"
14. Spin Doctors 'Hard To ___'
15. Biblical National song?
16. Hallelujah-inspired Kid Rock song?
17. Aerosmith 'I Don't Want To ___ Thing' (4,1)
18. Opposite of hi-fi (hyph)
19. Parking lot shot, w/out ice
20. 'Semi-Charmed Life' band (5,3,5)



23. Mika 'I ___ You'
24. 'Cum On Feel The Noize' Quiet ___
25. What rockin' song gives you
28. Metallica drummer Ulrich
31. What shock rocker will do
35. U2 producer/Roxy Music Brian
36. Drummer Krupa
37. What manufactured pop stars lack
38. Frankie Valli "You're just ____, can't take my eyes off you" (3,4,2,2,4)
42. Led Zeppelin 'Out On The ___'
43. Guns And Roses '___ N' The Bedouins'
44. Music industry powers that be
45. Kiddie-singer Peter
46. "I can't change my ___" The Verve 'Bitter Sweet Symphony'
47. Metallica 'Nothing ___ Matters'
48. "Love, love ___, you know I love you" (2,2)
50. 'New Miserable Experience' ___

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- Blossoms
52. Santana 'Hope You're ___' (7,6)
58. Might be in mezzanine
59. Dokken 'Tooth And ___'
60. What manager has to pick during breakup
62. Jim of Simple Minds
63. 'God's ___' Kimmie Rhodes
64. Stevie Wonder 'Moments ___ Moments'
65. Manager, e.g.
66. Thompson Twins '___ Me Now'
67. Springsteen's 'Freeze-Out' avenue

Down

1. Folky band that sews?
2. Sought-after sign when bad band plays
3. "I ___ I was the full moon shining off your Camaro's hood" PJ
4. What engineer will do to producer
5. "Stop and ___, I think I'm moving but I go nowhere" OneRepublic
6. Dishwalla 'Life For ___'
7. Beyonce 'If I Were ___' (1,3)
8. What manager does for band
9. Trapt song for the accused?
10. Meat Loaf "Does it get any better? ___ any worse?" (3,2,3)
11. Prodigy song about horror flick?
12. Compliments rhythm guitarist
13. 'Movies' Alien ___ Farm
21. STP bassist Robert

22. '70 Velvet Underground album
 25. Chanter in Michael Jackson's 'Liberian Girl' Mbulu
 26. AC/DC 'Cover You ___' (2,3)
 27. Robert Plant 'Ship Of ___'
 29. Kiss 'Tomorrow ___ Tonight'
 30. "Old fashioned" rock
 32. Deep Purple song about 4th month?
 33. What virtuoso does
 34. Foo Fighters 'Times Like ___'
 36. God music
 39. Shapeshifters 'Sacred ___'
 40. 'Diesel And Dust' band Mid-night ___
 41. Cream classic off 'Goodbye'
 46. Peter Hook of New Order's 90s band
 47. Complete Spinanes song?
 49. Big band singer Shore
 51. Beck 'Where ___' (3,2)
 52. "I can ___ it coming in the air tonight"
 53. Robert ___ Keen
 54. Sean Kingston's was 'Beautiful', Weird Al's was 'Ugly'
 55. Warped tour hardcores from Tuscon
 56. Bass amp maker
 57. Rehearsal space bill
 58. Sometimes blended with punk
 61. All-female Swedes Drain ___
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Weirs Beach Smokehouse
Rt 3 Laconia 366-2400

Lebanon
Salt Hill Pub
2 West Park St. 448-4532

Londonderry
Coach Stop Tavern
176 Mammoth Rd
437-2022
Stumble Inn
20 Rockingham Rd
432-3210
Twins Smoke Shop
128 Rockingham Rd
Whippersnappers
44 Nashua Rd 434-2660

Loudon
Hungry Buffalo
58 Rte 129 798-3737

Manchester
99 Restaurant
1685 S. Willow St.
641-5999
BBQ New
333 Valley St. 782-5054
Breezeway Pub
14 Pearl St. 621-9111
British Beer Company
1071 S. Willow St.
232-0677
City Sports Grille
216 Maple St. 625-9656
CK's Grill
791 Second St. 669-2868
Club 313
93 S. Maple St. 628-6813
Club ManchVegas
50 Old Granite St.
222-1677
Crazy Camel Hookah and Cigar Lounge
245 Maple St. 518-5273
Derryfield Country Club
625 Mammoth Rd
623-2880
Don Quijote
333 Valley St. 792-1110
Drynk
20 Old Granite St.
641-2583
El Patron
253 Wilson St. 792-9170

Element Lounge
1055 Elm St. 627-2922
Farm Bar & Grille
1181 Elm St. 641-3276
Fratello's
155 Dow St. 624-2022
Gaucha's Churrascaria
62 Lowell St. 669-9460
Hanover St. Chophouse
149 Hanover St. 644-2467
Ignite Bar & Grille
100 Hanover St. 494-6225
J. Dubs Coffee
1000 Elm St. 622-7944
Jade Dragon
1087 Elm St. 782-3255
Jam Factory
1211 Elm St. 203-1458
Jokers
1279 S Willow St. 935-9947
Karma Hookah & Cigar Bar
1077 Elm St. 647-6653
KC's Rib Shack
837 Second St. 627-RIBS
Luigi's
712 Valley 622-1021
Mad Bob's Saloon
342 Lincoln St. 669-3049
McGarvey's
1097 Elm St. 627-2721
Midnight Rodeo (Yard)
1211 S. Mammoth Rd
623-3545
Milly's Tavern
500 Commercial St.
625-4444
Murphy's Taproom
494 Elm St. 644-3535
N'awlins Grille
860 Elm St. 606-2488
Olympic Lounge
506 Valley St. 644-5559
Penuche's
96 Hanover St. 626-9830
Piccola's
815 Elm St. 296-4070
Raxx Lounge
1195 Elm St. 203-1458
Salona Bar & Grill
128 Maple St. 624-4020
Shaskeen
909 Elm St. 625-0246
Shorty's
1050 Bicentennial Drive
625-1730
Sizzle Bistro
1 Highlander Way
232-3344
Social 24
24 Depot St. 782-8489

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Boston Billiard Club: DJ & Beach Night
Country Tavern: Tom Rousseau
Shorty's: Brad Bosse

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Starbucks
1111 S Willow St.
641-4839
Strange Brew Tavern
88 Market St. 666-4292
Theos
102 Elm St. 669-4678
TJ's Bar & Grill
23 Central St. 660-2241
Unwine'd
865 Second St. 625-9463
Wild Rover
21 Kosciuszko St.
669-7722
World Sports Grille
50 Phillippe Cote St.
626-7636
XO on Elm
827 Elm St. 206-5721

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96 Old Turnpike Rd
878-1324

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Camp
300 DW Hwy 279-3003
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312 DW Hwy 279-3313

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Giorgio's Ristorante & Martini Bar
707 Milford Rd 883-7333
Homestead
641 DW Hwy 429-2022
Jade Dragon
515 DW Hwy 424-2280
Pacific Fusion
356 DW Hwy 424-6320

Milford
Chapanga's
168 Elm St. 249-5214
Clark's Tavern
40 Nashua St. 769-3119
Giorgio's
524 Nashua St. 673-3939
J's Tavern
63 Union Square 554-1433
Pasta Loft
241 Union Sq 672-2270
Shaka's Bar & Grill
11 Wilton Rd 554-1224
Tiebreakers at Hampshire Hills
50 Emerson Rd 673-7123

Nashua
603 Lounge
14 W. Hollis St. 821-5260

Thursday, July 17

Amherst
La Belle Winery: Chad Lamarsh

Bedford
Copper Door: Live Acoustic

Boscawen
Alan's: John Pratt in Lounge

Concord
Hermanos: Mike Morris
Makris: Johnny James
Penuche's Ale House: Somerville Symphony Orchestra

Dover
Cara: Bluegrass w/ Steve Roy
Fury's Publick House: Erin's Guild
Kelley's Row: Side Car

Epping
Holy Grail: Greg & Rob Irish Duo

Gilford
Patrick's: Paul Warnick

Hampton
Ashworth Breakers: AJ Edwards
Wally's: Country night, DJ Kelley

Laconia
Paradise Beach Club: DJ Gin-E
Pitman's: Zeke Martin & the Oracle

Londonderry
Coach Stop: Paul Luff
Twins: Smokin' Summer Nights
Whippersnappers: Eric Preston & The Irregulars

Manchester
Breezeway Pub: DJ Pet - Resurrection
Club 313: DJ Pez & DJ Carlos
Derryfield: Rob & Jody

Drynk: DJ Shawn Danjah White & Sammy Smoove
Karma: DJ Midas w/Reed on drums
Milly's: Lakes Region Big Band
Murphy's: Fred Ellsworth
N'awlins Grille: CDL Trio
Raxx: DJ Mike
Shaskeen: City Mouse/Trophy Lungs
Shorty's: Kieran McNally
Strange Brew: Michael Fioretti
World Sports: Jake Packard

Merrimack
Homestead: Scott McRae

Nashua
Boston Billiard Club: DJ & Beach Night
Country Tavern: Tom Rousseau
Shorty's: Brad Bosse

Newmarket
Stone Church: Live Irish Music w/ Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki

Plaistow
Racks: Blues Jam w/ Steve Devine

Portsmouth
British Beer: Drew Yount

Dolphin Striker: Pete Peterson & Derek T.
Fat Belly's: DJ
Martingale Wharf: Live Music
Portsmouth Book & Bar: Live Music
Portsmouth Gaslight: Haley Gowland Duo
Press Room: Beat Night
Red Door: Local Heroes w/ Flatswamp/Onslo/Little My/Sun Lions
Ri Ra: Drops of Green
Rudi's: Sal Hughes
Thirsty Moose: The Southern Belles

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Top of the Chop: Funkadelic
Fridays

Epping

Holy Grail: Sidecar

Gilford

Patrick's: Don Severance

Goffstown

Village Trestle: Acoustic Jam
hosted by John Erlman

Hampton

Ashworth Breakers: Kenny
Brothers
Boardwalk Cafe: Max Sullivan
Savory Square: Dave Gerard
Wally's Pub: Live Shakedown

Hooksett

Asian Breeze: DJ Alban

Laconia

Pitman's: Tyler road

Londonderry

Coach Stop: Joel Cage
Whippersnappers: Last Laugh

Manchester

Breezeway Pub: DJ Mckay
NRG Dance
British Beer: Jim Devlin Band
Club 313: DJ Bob
Derryfield: Gentlemen Outfit/
Nimbus 9
Drynk: DJs Jason Spivak &
Sammy Smoove
Element: Friday Night Dance
Party w/DJ Smallz
Fratello's: Chris Cavanaugh
Jade Dragon: Live Music
Milly's: Cryptic Deception &
Guests
Murphy's Taproom: Brad
Bosse/Cody James Gang/DJ Sean
O'Brien
N'awlins Grille: Live Jazz
Penuche's: Wild Adriatic w/
Leaders Led

Raxx: DJ Mike

Shaskeen: Bruce Jacques
Strange Brew: Lisa Marie & All
Shook Up
Wild Rover: Live Music
World Sports Grille: Bill Bon-
nell Duo

Merrimack

Homestead: Marc Apostolides
Jade Dragon: Monkeys With
Hammers
Pacific Fusion: Live Music

Milford

Chapangas: Live Music
Clark's Tavern: Poor Howard
Pasta Loft: Maxwell Capistran
Tiebreakers: Live Music

Nashua

Amsterdam: Freight Only
Arena: MB Padfield / DJ Danjah
Country Tavern: Rendezvous
Fody's: Live Music

NITE CONCERTS

**Bank of New Hampshire
Pavilion at Meadowbrook 72**
Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford,
293-4700, meadowbrook.net

**Capitol Center for the
Performing Arts** 44 S. Main St.,
Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com
The Colonial Theatre 95 Main
St., Keene, 352-2033,
thecolonial.org

**Dana Humanities Center at Saint
Anselm College** 100 Saint Anselm
Drive, Manchester, 641-7700,
anselm.edu/dana

The Flying Monkey
39 S. Main St., Plymouth, 536-
2551, flyingmonkeynh.com

**Hampton Beach Casino Ball-
room** 169 Ocean Blvd., Hamp-
ton Beach, 929-4100,
casinoballroom.com

Leddy Center 38c Ladd's Lane,
Epping, 679-2781,
leddycenter.org

Lowell Boarding House Park
40 French St., Lowell, Mass.,
lowellsummermusic.org

Lowell Memorial Auditorium
East Merrimack Street, Lowell,
Mass., 978-454-2299,
lowellauditorium.com

**The Middle Arts & Entertain-
ment Center** 316 Central St.,
Franklin, 934-1901,
themiddlenh.org

The Music Hall 28 Chestnut
St., Portsmouth, 436-2400,
themusichall.org

The Old Meeting House, 1
New Boston Road, Frankestown
Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St.,
Manchester, 668-5588,
palacetheatre.org

Prescott Park Arts Festival
105 Marcy St., Portsmouth,
prescottpark.org, 436-2848

Rochester Opera House 31
Wakefield St., Rochester,
335-1992,
rochesteroperahouse.com

Stockbridge Theatre
Pinkerton Academy, Route 28,
Derry, 437-5210,
stockbridgetheatre.com

Tupelo Music Hall
2 Young Road, Londonderry,
437-5100, tupelohall.com

Verizon Wireless Arena 555
Elm St., Manchester, 644-5000,
verizonwirelessarena.com

Whittmore Center Arena, UNH
128 Main St., Durham, 862-
4000, whittcenter.com

• **Cracker Unplugged** Thursday,
July 17, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Del McCoury Band** Thursday,
July 17, 7:30 p.m. Flying Monkey

• **Extreme** Thursday, July 17, 8
p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Albert Cummings** Friday, July
18, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Bruno Mars** Friday, July 18, 8
p.m. Verizon Wireless Arena

• **Fab Four - The Ultimate Trib-
ute** Friday, July 18, 8 p.m. Casino
Ballroom

• **Pat Travers Band** Saturday,
July 19, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Barenaked Ladies** Saturday,
July 19, 7:30 p.m. Boarding
House Park

• **Eileen Ivers & Immigrant**
Soul Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m.
Colonial Theatre

• **Michael Franti & Spearhead/
SOJA/Brett Dennen** Saturday,
July 19, 8 p.m. Meadowbrook

• **Artie Lange** Saturday, July 19,
8 p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Mike Birbiglia** Sunday, July
20, 8 p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Huey Lewis & The News**
Tuesday, July 22, 8 p.m. Casino
Ballroom

• **Marc Cohn** Wednesday, July
23, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Houndmouth** Wednesday, July
23, 7 p.m. Prescott Park

• **Jenn Grinnells** Thursday, July
24, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Keith Urban** Thursday, July 24,
8 p.m. Meadowbrook

• **Pegi Young & the Survivors**
Friday, July 25, 8 p.m. Tupelo

• **Johnny Winter** Friday, July 25,
7:30 p.m. Flying Monkey

• **Quiet Riot w/ Faster Pussycat**
Friday, July 25, 8 p.m. Casino
Ballroom

• **Wood Brothers & Shakey**
Graves (Folk Festival) Friday,
July 25, 7 p.m. Prescott Park

• **WonderTwins** Friday, July 25,
8 p.m. Music Hall Loft

• **Jeff Tweedy** Friday, July 25, 8
p.m. Music Hall

• **Legends Of Doo Wop** Satur-
day, July 26, 7:30 p.m. Flying
Monkey

• **Ludacris/Juicy J.** Saturday,
July 26, 8 p.m. Meadowbrook

• **Get The Led Out** Saturday,
July 26, 8 p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Ute Gfrerer: From Austria**
with Love Saturday, July 26, 8
p.m. Music Hall Loft

• **Ingrid Michaelson** Sunday,
July 27, 7 p.m. Prescott Park

• **Mikaela Davis** Tuesday, July
29, 8 p.m. Music Hall Loft

• **Sammy Hagar** Wednesday,
July 30, 8 p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Iris Dement** Wednesday, July
30, 7 p.m. Prescott Park

• **Patrick Dorow's Piano Room**
Wednesday, July 30, 8 p.m.
Music Hall Loft

• **Jefferson Starship 40th Anni-
versary Tour** Friday, Aug 1, 7:30
p.m. Flying Monkey

• **Southside Johnny & the**
Asbury Jukes Friday, Aug 1, 8
p.m. Casino Ballroom

• **Kara DioGuardi** Friday, Aug 1,
8 p.m. Music Hall Loft

• **Leon Russell** Saturday, Aug 2,
7:30 p.m. Flying Monkey



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NITE MUSIC THIS WEEK

Killarney's: Live Music
Stella Blu: Chad Verbeck
Wicked Twisted: Common Ground

New Boston

Molly's: Cody/Pete Smith

Newmarket

Stone Church: Acoustics Anonymous w/Kenny Brothers Band

Peterborough

Harlow's: Lady Lee

Plaistow

Racks: Live Music
Sad Cafe: Resident Alien/The Perqs/Northernmost

Portsmouth

Blue Mermaid: Live entertainment
Dolphin Striker: Amorphous Band
Fat Belly's: DJ
Grill 28: Live Music
Martingale Wharf: Live Music
Portsmouth Book & Bar: Matt Heaton/Toddlerbilly Troubadour (special kids show)/Pesky Nixon
Portsmouth Gaslight: Pat Foley Band/Justin Cohn/Jimmy D/
Nightclub w/DJ Koko P
Press Room: Johnny Trama's Organ Summit
Red Door: John Barera
Ri Ra: Drops Of Green
Rudi's: Mike Effenberger
Thirsty Moose: Pop Disaster

Rochester

Governor's Inn: Lenny McLaughlin
Smokey's Tavern: Tom Schena

Salem

Black Water Grill: Rick Breton & Crew

Seabrook

Castaways: Live Music

Saturday, July 19

Belmont

Lakes Region Casino: Jodie & Haywire

Boscawen

Alan's: Brad Myrick

Concord

Hermanos: Second Wind

Penuche's: Live Band
Pit Road Lounge: Live Music
Tandy's: DJ Iceman Streetz (105.5 JYY)
True Brew: Market Days Homegrown Stage

Dover

Asia: DJ Shadow Walker
Cara: DJ Shawnny O' @ Chameleon Club
Dover Brickhouse: Totally Awesome 80s Party w/The Ride/Jett Sett
Kelley's Row: Tomorrow Morning
Sonny's Tavern: Trap Them, Coliseum, Northern Curse, Motel Mattress & Kave Kraft

Epping

Holy Grail: Boo Boo Groove

Epsom

Circle 9: Country Felix Band

Goffstown

Village Trestle: Headshop

Hampton

Ashworth Breakers: Kenny Brothers
Savory Square Bistro: Wendy Nottonson
Wally's Pub: Baked Naked

Hooksett

Asian Breeze: Live Music
Tap House Grille: Dan King

Laconia

Baja Beach Club: DJ

Londonderry

Coach Stop: Joe McDonald
Whippersnappers: Last Kid Picked

Manchester

British Beer: Andrea Marie & The Magnolia Band
Club 313: Divas Gone Wild w/Mercadies
Derryfield: Chad LaMarsh Band/Chris Taylor/Duo
Element: Dance party, DJ Smallz
Fratello's: Doug Thompson
Jade Dragon: Live Music
Jam Factory: The River Birds
Midnight Rodeo: Whiskey Wild
Milly's: DJ & Comedian -Benefit for Cancer Society

Murphy's: Brad Bosse/Boys of Rockingham/DJ Sean O'Brien
N'awlins Grille: Live Jazz
Raxx: DJ Mike
Shaskeen: Midnight Spaghetti & The Chocolate Covered G Strings
Strange Brew: Marty Rowen's Last Call Quartet
Wild Rover: Live Music
World Sports: Jake Packard

Merrimack

Homestead: Haley Gowland
Jade Dragon: Live Music

Milford

Chapangas: Slakas
Clark's Tavern: Fil Pacino
J's Tavern: Live Music
Pasta Loft: Brothers Way

Nashua

Amsterdam: Jive Kats
Boston Billiard Club: DJ Anthem Throwback
Fody's: The Clones
Killarney's: Live Music
Stella Blu: Live Music
Wicked Twisted: Switchblade Serenade

New Boston

Molly's: Mama Love and the Wicked Sons/Pete Smith

Newmarket

Stone Church: Lalapalala Art & Music Festival

Plaistow

Racks: Live Music
Sad Cafe: Devious Intentions
Rock The Sad with Special Guests

Portsmouth

Blue Mermaid: Live Local Entertainment
British Beer: Atomic Raygun
Dolphin Striker: Jackleg Preachers
Fat Belly's: DJ
Grill 28: Live Music
Hilton: Cormac McCarthy
Oar House: Don Severance
Portsmouth Book & Bar: Living Room Special
Portsmouth Gaslight: Dustin Ladale/Take 4/Malcolm Salls/
Max Sullivan/Nightclub w/DJ Koko P
Press Room: Dub Apocalypse

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COMEDY THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Thursday, July 17

Derry

Halligan Tavern: Sarah Blodgett/Jere Pilapil

Meredith

Hart's: Mark Scalia

Friday, July 18

Concord

Holiday Inn: Rob Steen/Matt Barry/Pat Napoli

Hampton Beach

Blue Ocean: Bob Marley

Saturday, July 19

Dover

Chameleon Club : Mike Hanley

Hampton Beach

Casino Ballroom: Artie Lange

Laconia

Pitman's: Brad Mas-trangelo/Mitch Stinson

Manchester

Headliners: Robbie Printz/Chris D

Sunday, July 20

Hampton Beach

Casino Ballroom: Mike Birbiglia

Newington

Fox Run Stadium 15: Monty Python Live (Mostly) from the O2 (Closed Circuit)

Wednesday, July 23

Manchester

Murphy's Taproom: Laugh Free Or Die Open Mic
Shaskeen: Giulia Rozzi/Sean Tumblety

Red Door: Mike Swells
Ri Ra: Drops of Green
Rudi's: Bryan Killough Trio
Thirsty Moose: Sweat Pants In Public

Rochester
Governor's Inn: The Toes
Smokey's Tavern: Paul Warnick

Salem
Black Water Grill: Live Music

Seabrook
Chop Shop: Inner Child

Sunday, July 20
Bedford
Copper Door: Haley Gowland
Shorty's: Patio: Kieran McNally

Concord
Hermanos: Eric Chase
Makris: Randy Hawkes

Dover
Cara: Irish Session w/ Carol
 Coronis & Ramona Connelly
Dover Brickhouse: Singer/
 Songwriter Brunch + 4p Burning
 Streets/Ten Foot Pole/Cryptics/
 Down and Outs/Fake Boys
Sonny's: Generation of Swing

Epping
Holy Grail: Sireteau

Hampton
Ashworth Breakers: Boom Lava
Boardwalk Cafe: Elijah Clark

Londonderry
Whippersnappers: Peter Higgins

Manchester
British Beer: Bloody Blues
 Brunch Field w/Juke Joint Five
Derryfield: Chad LaMarsh Duo
Drynk: Beach Bash w/ Sammy
 Smoove
Jam Factory: Lobo Marino/
 Cameron Cummings/Amanda
 McCarthy
Murphy's: Sinatra Sunday/Fred
 Ellsworth
Shaskeen: Cage and Sadistik
Social 24: Sunday Funday Winter
 Jam Sessions
Strange Brew: One Big Soul
 - Sit Session/Jake Davis & The
 Whiskey Stones

Meredith
Giuseppe's: Open Stage with
 Lou Porrazzo

Portsmouth
Dolphin Striker: Live Music
Portsmouth Gaslight: Jimmy
 D./The Donegans/Nightclub -
 Seacoast Tea Dance

Press Room: Jazz - Christine
 Fawson with Ryan Parker/Dave
 Clark/Steve Langone
Red Door: Green Lion Crew
Rudi's: Jazz Brunch w/Sharon
 Jones

Rochester
Governor's Inn: Truffle

Monday, July 21
Concord
Hermanos: Eric Chase

Hampton
Wally's Pub: Backlight District

Londonderry
Whippersnappers: Monday's
 Young Muse - w/ Lisa Guyer

Manchester
Fratello's: Rob Wolfe
Murphy's: Jeff Mrozek
N'awlins Grille: Nate Comp

Merrimack
Homestead: Chris Cavanaugh

Newmarket
Stone Church: Stormy Mondays
 hosted by the Wild Eagles Blues
 Band

Portsmouth
Dolphin Striker: Live Music
Portsmouth Gaslight: Pat Foley
Press Room: Chris O'Neil/Bryan
 Killough Duo
Red Door: Hush Hush w/Brook,
 Bear and the Elephant/Holy She-
 boygan
Ri Ra: Oran Mor

Tuesday, July 22
Concord
Hermanos: Glenn Paladino

Dover
Fury's: Tim Theriault
Sonny's Tavern: Soggy Po' Boys

Hampton
Ashworth Breakers: Black
 Agnes/Lounge

Londonderry
Whippersnappers: VJ Mark/
 DJ Box

Manchester
Derryfield: Brandon Lapere
Drynk: Sammy Smoove & DJ
 Gera
Fratello's: Kim Riley
Murphy's Taproom: Drew
 Yount
N'awlins Grille: John Chouinard
Raxx: DJ Mike
Shaskeen: Tristan Omand
Strange Brew: All Stars

Merrimack
Homestead: Paul Luff

Newmarket
Stone Church: Bluegrass Jam w/
 Dave Talmage

Portsmouth
Blue Mermaid: Honky Tonk
 Tuesdays
Dolphin Striker: Live Music
Portsmouth Gaslight: Dustin
 Ladale
Press Room: Larry Garland Jazz
 Jam

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Concord
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 Rhythm
Bernie's Beach Bar: Green Lion
 Crew
Wally's Pub: Country Night w/
 DJ Kelley

Manchester
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 Miles Deep & Pharoah
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 Night
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 Lapere
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Quotes are from *Don't Hassel the Hoff*, by David Hasselhoff, born July 17, 1952.

Cancer (June 21 – July 22) "Who are you?" *SpongeBob* asks. "I'm David Hasselhoff." "Hooray!" *SpongeBob* and *Patrick* climb on to my back and I jet across the ocean like a hydrofoil. They had constructed a huge mechanical clone of me to film this scene, an Animatronic replica twelve feet tall and weighing 750 pounds. The hair on my head and body was actually yak hair, so I called it Hasselyak. ... The movie gave me a whole new legion of fans. You may gain fans where you least expected them.

Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22) On *The Simpsons* the first words out of *Lisa Simpson*'s mouth were "David Hasselhoff". Your pop culture trivia knowledge will come in handy.

Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22) I had the dubious distinction of getting terrible grades but was also considered one of the top students because I was the lead in all of the school plays. So you're great at some things, less great at others. Both distinctions will come in handy.

Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22) I was a funny, outgoing kid but I was also sensitive and painfully embarrassed about my skinny legs. I didn't wear shorts for six years because somebody made a remark about them. Six years is a long time to go without shorts.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21) I took my waiting talents to the *Marina City Club* on *Marina del Rey*. ... There were so many lobsters in the club's kitchens that rather than see them go to waste we'd put them in the dessert cart, push it into the elevator and press "Park." Someone down below would remove the lobsters and send the cart back up. Don't let the lobsters go to waste.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21) The oscillating red-light scanner on the front of the car that acts as *KITT*'s eyes was based on similar scanners on the evil *Cylons* in *Larson's Battlestar Galactica*. The car itself was a variation on the production line model *Pontiac Trans Am* of 1982, modified by *General Motors* at a cost of

\$18,000. With a few modifications, you might have just the gadget you want.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19) Asked how he maintained his concentration to shoot so accurately, *Dirk* [Nowitzki, *Dallas Mavericks* basketball star] replied, "I sing David Hasselhoff's *Looking for Freedom* in my head." Music will help you concentrate.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18) The neighbor was right; there were Germans in his trees. I invited them to come down on to my side of the fence to meet me. It was quite common for fans from Germany or Austria to trek all the way out to *Sherman Oaks* to pay me a visit and talk about my popularity in their country. You may meet some travelers who are curious about you. Friendship is in the offing.

Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20) No one made more fun of *Baywatch* than us. We were laughing all the way to the plastic surgeon. Don't take yourself too seriously.

Aries (March 21 – April 19) One billion people were watching [*Baywatch*] every week, more than had ever viewed any previous television series. In Spain, we were known as *Los Vigilantes de la Playa* (Vigilantes on the Beach), in France, the show was called *Alerte à Malibu* (Malibu Alert), in Portugal *Mares Vivas* (Sea Lives), and in Brazil *SOS Malibu*. It may sound strange, but familiarity is just beneath the surface.

Taurus (April 20 – May 20) As soon as I stepped out of the plane, I was attacked by thousands of flies. I wrapped a kashkoul around my head and when that didn't stop them I added a towel and a pair of sunglasses, but they still got into my ears and up my nose. Be ready to deal with a million tiny annoying things.

Gemini (May 21 – June 20) I played *Jekyll and Hyde* for seventy-two performances.... One night I overdid holding a high note and passed out on stage. Fortunately, it was the end of the scene and I awoke to find the scenery being changed around me. Be careful not to overdo the high notes.

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By Dave Green

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Last week's puzzle answers are below

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"S-to-P!" — no, I'm not telling you to stop

Across

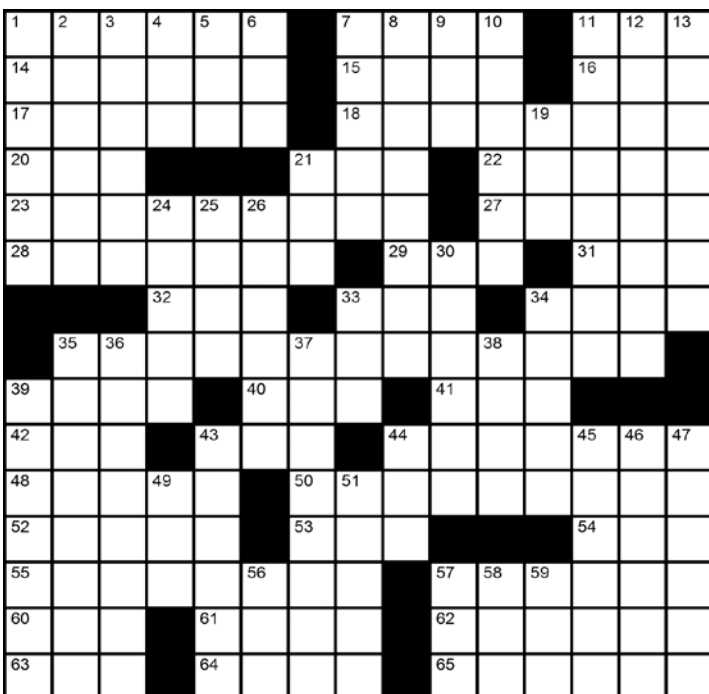
- 1 Lonely Planet's genre
7 "Dear ____"
11 That lady
14 Antiseptic element
15 Ampere or angstrom
16 Former news anchor Brokaw

- 17 Swirling currents
18 One of cartoonist Al's parents?
20 Moines or Plaines lead-in
21 "I'm thinkin' not"
22 Teach privately
23 With 50-Across, high praise for Snapchat?

- 27 "Fame" actress Cara
28 Secret sightings
29 Rio 2016 org.
31 British legislators, for short
32 Live and breathe
33 Timeworn
34 New Mexico art colony
35 Scottish girl further north in Scandinavia?
39 Peck's partner
40 Some men's mags
41 "Attack, dog!"
42 "Was ____ das?"
43 Former Energy Secretary Steven
44 Parent's reason, with "because"
48 "I Love ____" (Oscar the Grouch song)

- 50 See 23-Across
52 Greek island frequented by Poseidon
53 Virgo preceder
54 Temper
55 Comet partially discovered by the guy who wrote about Quasimodo?
57 Europe's ____ Peninsula
60 Salt Lake City athlete
61 Eric Cantor defeater David ____
62 Kings of drilling
63 Snake, to some
64 "Divine Secrets of the ____ Sisterhood"
65 Nook companion

- not..."
13 Catherine the Great, for one
19 Dirty dog
21 Greek consonants
24 Cheerful
25 Make a buck
26 "Jingle Bells" vehicle
30 "Battleship Potemkin" locale
33 Pained expressions?
34 Not spoken
35 Path through the city
36 Completely accurate
37 Money issue
38 "I don't believe you!"
39 Get the trailer attached
43 Checker of music
44 "As I see it," in a blog comment
45 Japanese radish
46 Ankle mishap
47 In plain sight
49 Bay area airport letters
51 Nasal dividers that may be "deviated"
56 60 minutes, in Milan
57 "Sherlock" ailer
58 Show on TV
59 Airport alternative to JFK



7/10



Down

- 1 Make a retro T-shirt
2 Competitions with barrels
3 Seems reasonable
4 Seven, on a sundial
5 180 deg. from WSW
6 Primus bassist Claypool
7 Itch-inducing shrub
8 Later on
9 Glass edge
10 Crackly feedback
11 Atlas feature
12 Dr. Seuss title that completes the warning "Stop! You must

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Took it too far

- The New York customer service company United Health Programs of America provoked a federal lawsuit in June by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission over its employee esprit-de-corps policy of requiring workers to pray to God on the job and to say "I love you" to their managers. According to the EEOC, the feel-good, work-harder campaign was suggested by an aunt of United's owner and named for an obscure "truth and compassion" movement called "Onionhead."

- After two third-graders wet their pants on May 15 at Mill Plain Elementary School in Vancouver, Wash., they blamed teachers for too-strictly enforcing their classroom's "rewards" system, in which good behavior earns students points redeemable for, among other prizes, restroom breaks. A teachers union investigation concluded that the girls were never "denied" toilet access (but the girls' mothers pointed out that using restroom breaks as a "reward" might be confusing to 8-year-olds).

- The Japanese snack company Calbee recently staged a promotion around popular singer Nana Mizuki, giving away 10 backstage passes to her Aug. 3 concert in Yokohama to the purchasers of 10 lucky bags of secretly marked potato chips. Her perhaps-hugest fan, Kazuki Fukumoto, 25, was so determined to win one that by the time he was arrested for littering in May, he had bought and dumped 89 cartons of potato chip packages, weighing over 400 pounds, that were found at six locations around the cities of Kobe and Akashi. Police estimate he had spent the equivalent of about \$3,000.

- Britain's news website Metro.co.uk, combing Facebook pages, located a full photo array from prominent 23-year-old German body art enthusiast Joel Migler,

whose various piercings and implants are impressive enough, but whose centerpiece are the portholes in each cheek that expose the insides of his mouth. (With customized plugs, he can seal the portholes when soup is on the menu.) The holes are currently 36mm wide, but he was said to be actively cheek-stretching, aiming for 40mm. Migler assures fans that his mother likes "most" of his modifications and that the worst aspect so far is merely that he is forced to take smaller bites when eating.

Can't possibly be true

- Until the New York governor and legislature addressed the problem recently, it was legal in the state for narcissistic animal owners to force their dogs and cats to endure permanent, decorative tattoos and piercings. At press time, Gov. Andrew Cuomo was poised to sign legislation abolishing the tattooing.

- Kayla Oxenham, 23, was arrested in Port Charlotte, Florida, in June and charged with using a stick to burn "brands" into the skin of her two children, ages 5 and 7. Among her explanations to police: so she could identify them as being hers and because she "forgot how much she loved fire."

- A Davenport, Iowa, jury convicted terminal-cancer patient Benton Mackenzie, 48, in July on four marijuana-growing felonies, even though his purpose was to harvest cannabis oil to treat his bloody lesions and the grapefruit-sized tumor on his buttocks. The judge had barred Mackenzie and his lawyer from even mentioning the illness in

court because of a 2005 Iowa precedent (even though the Iowa legislature has subsequently allowed medical marijuana to treat seizures). Mackenzie's wife, his 73-year-old parents, his son and a friend were also charged with assisting Mackenzie's "operation" (though Mackenzie was almost surely the only "customer"). Mackenzie, who testified and was, of course, sworn to tell "the whole truth," said he was "flabbergasted" to learn that "the whole truth" excludes anything about his illness.

- Municipal engineers in the town of Melton Mowbray, England, were called out in June to fix a lingering sewer overrun caused by, they discovered, "hundreds" of tennis balls that had apparently each been flushed down toilets. Said the project manager, "We expect (blockages from) fats and baby wipes, but..."

Unclear on the concept

- A 60-year-old man with a blood clot has recovered, but no thanks to the driver for the South Western Ambulance Service who was ferrying him on a long trip to the emergency room of Derriford Hospital in Plymouth, England, on April 6. The patient's family later reported that the driver had stopped en route to pick up two hitchhikers one a young woman in a "skimpy skirt" and take them to an on-the-way town. The patient, in pain with his toes starting to blacken, eventually had his blood flow restored and did not lose the leg. He reported that the two riders were friendly and wanted to chat about his condition (though he was in no mood).

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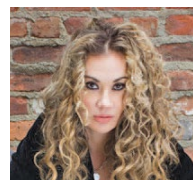
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